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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
2 ON FEBRUARY 1, 2005, BEGINS ON PAGE 98.]

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS
7 MORNING'S MEETING. SUPERVISOR BURKE IS ON HER WAY AND
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE IS DOING HIS COUNTY DUTY, HE'S ON JURY DUTY
9 THIS MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS MORNING'S MEETING WITH
10 AN INVOCATION THAT WILL BE LED BY ROBERT ANDRADE, OSBORNE FROM
11 NEIGHBORHOOD CHURCH IN ARLETA. AND OUR PLEDGE THIS MORNING
12 WILL BE LED BY GEORGE CASTRO, WHO IS COMMANDER OF POST 2248,
13 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS. WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND?

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15 **ROBERT ANDRADE:** LET US PRAY. OUR HEAVENLY FATHER, WE CALL UPON
16 YOU FROM THIS PLACE OF BUSINESS. WE INVITE YOU IN THE PRESENCE
17 OF YOUR SPIRIT TO OCCUPY EVERY INCH OF THIS ROOM. MAY YOUR
18 WAYS AND DESIGN FOR OUR LAND BE ACCOMPLISHED TODAY. OH GOD, WE
19 HUMBLY SURRENDER OUR CITY TO YOU, NOT BECAUSE YOU'RE PART OF A
20 POPULAR RELIGION BUT BECAUSE WE WANT THE BEST FOR THE PEOPLE
21 OF OUR CITY. FATHER, IT WAS YOU WHO CREATED THE INTRICATE
22 DETAILS OF THIS WORLD. IT WAS YOU WHO DESIGNED THE INNERMOST
23 PARTS OF OUR BODIES. MAY IT BE YOU WHO GUIDE THE DECISIONS OF
24 THIS MEETING. IN THE WHISPERS OF THEIR MINDS, MAY OUR
25 SUPERVISORS CALL UPON YOUR WISDOM RATHER THAN THEIR OWN. OH



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1 GOD, MAY THE DECISIONS OF TODAY NOT BE WEIGHED UPON A SELF-
2 REPUTATION OR A REELECTION BUT MAY EACH DECISION BE WEIGHED
3 UPON WHAT IS RIGHT IN YOUR EYES AND THE WELLBEING OF THE
4 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. MY LORD, I ASK YOU FOR YOUR FAVOR ON
5 THE LEADERS OF THIS CITY. MAY YOU BLESS OUR MAYOR AND THIS
6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MAY YOU BLESS THEIR FAMILIES WITH YOUR
7 PRESENCE AND PROTECTION. MY GOD, I THANK YOU FOR GIVING US
8 THIS LAND TO MANAGE. MAY YOU BLESS THE WONDERFUL PEOPLE OF LOS
9 ANGELES WITH YOUR PRESENCE AND YOUR SPIRIT AND THE DESIRES OF
10 YOUR HEART. MAY WE, THE PEOPLE, BOW OUR SELFISH AMBITIONS TO
11 YOUR DESIGN FOR LOS ANGELES AND MAY WE ALL REALIZE THE
12 CONSEQUENCES OF POOR DECISIONS AND A POPULAR VOTE AS WE REACH
13 FOR YOUR WISDOM. I PRAY THESE THINGS IN THE NAME OF THE ONLY
14 BEGOTTEN SON, THE ANOINTED ONE, THE MESSIAH, THE PRINCE OF
15 PEACE AND LAMB OF GOD, OUR SAVIOR AND LORD. AMEN.

16

17 **GEORGE CASTRO:** PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN
18 ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR A PRESENTATION.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION
23 THIS MORNING BY PASTOR BOB ANDRADE, WHO HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN
24 MINISTRY FOR 20 YEARS. 11 OF THOSE YEARS HAVE BEEN AT OSBORNE
25 NEIGHBORHOOD CHURCH IN ARLETA IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO



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1 VALLEY WHERE HE IS THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR AND DIRECTOR OF YOUTH
2 MINISTRIES. PASTOR ANDRADE GRADUATED FROM LIFE BIBLE AND
3 RECEIVED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES. HIS MINISTRY
4 OPPORTUNITIES HAVE TAKEN HIM THROUGHOUT MEXICO, GUATEMALA,
5 BRAZIL AND ALL ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. HE HAS TAKEN A
6 MESSAGE OF HOPE AND DRUG PREVENTION THROUGHOUT JUVENILE HALLS,
7 PRISONS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PASTOR BOB IS MARRIED AND HE
8 HAS FOUR CHILDREN. AND WE'RE VERY HONORED TO HAVE YOU HERE
9 THIS MORNING AND THANKS FOR COMING DOWN FROM THE SAN FERNANDO
10 VALLEY TO GIVE US A PRAYER. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** WE ARE VERY PLEASED THAT GEORGE CASTRO JOINED US
13 FOR THE PLEDGE. HE RESIDES IN HUNTINGTON PARK. HOWEVER, HE IS
14 THE COMMANDER OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED
15 STATES POST NUMBER 2248 IN COMPTON. HE WAS IN THE MILITARY
16 FROM '50 TO '52 AS A CORPORAL IN THE U.S. ARMY IN THE 25TH
17 COMBAT INFANTRY DIVISION, ASIAN, PACIFIC. HE WON THE SILVER
18 STAR MEDAL, SOLDIERS MEDAL, OCCUPATION SERVICE MEDAL, NATIONAL
19 DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL IN KOREA. HE'S A TRUCK DRIVER FOR
20 SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRUCK COMPANY, A WIDOWER WITH FOUR YEARS IN--
21 WITH FOUR CHILDREN. HE'S 39 YEARS IN THE DISTRICT. THANK YOU
22 FOR BEING HERE. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA--(OFF-MIKE).

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MS. BURKE. AT THIS TIME, I'M
2 GOING TO ASK OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 3. ON ITEM CS-3, THE COUNTY COUNSEL
6 REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE TAKEN OFF CALENDAR.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT WILL BE TAKEN OFF
9 CALENDAR.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM S-1, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET,
12 THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED ONE
15 WEEK.

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC
18 WORKS FINANCING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-F.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14.
24 ON ITEM NUMBER 4, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK
25 CONTINUANCE.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET, ON ITEM
5 6, THAT INCLUDES THE REVISIONS.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THERE'S NO OTHER HOLDS ON THE REMAINING
8 ITEMS?

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** NO, MADAM CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON ITEM 4, WILL BE CONTINUED. ITEM 6 IS
13 REVISED AS IT IS ON THE GREEN SHEET. ON THE REMAINING ITEMS,
14 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE.
15 IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 15 THROUGH
18 18. ON ITEM NUMBER 18, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS A ONE-
19 WEEK CONTINUANCE.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. 18 WILL BE CONTINUED. ITEM 16
22 THROUGH 17-- 15 THROUGH 17, EXCUSE ME, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
23 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO
24 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL, ITEM 19. THE
2 DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO THE
3 DEPARTMENT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM WILL BE REFERRED
6 BACK.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BEACHES AND HARBORS. ON ITEM 20, THE
9 DIRECTOR REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

12

13 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES, ITEM 21.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
16 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMISSION ON H.I.V. HEALTH SERVICES. ON
19 ITEM 22, THERE ARE CHANGES THAT WERE NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET
20 AND WE HAVE A REQUEST TO HOLD THE ITEM FOR A MEMBER OF THE
21 PUBLIC.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE HELD.

24

25 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS, ITEM 23.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
3 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEM 24.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
8 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEMS 25 THROUGH 27. ON
11 ITEM 25, FIRE CHIEF REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
12 WEEK. ON ITEM 27, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ITEM 26 IS
13 BEFORE YOU.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
16 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO
17 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 28 THROUGH 34.
20 ITEM 34, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE REST ARE BEFORE
21 YOU.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
24 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO
25 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PROBATION, ITEMS 35 AND 36.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
5 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
6 ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 37 THROUGH 50.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON PAGE 20, SHERIFF, ITEM 51.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
16 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 52.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
21 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 53
24 AND 54.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THOSE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE,
2 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
3 SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION, ITEM 55.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
8 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
9 ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS 56 THROUGH 59,
12 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE ON 56 AND 57 INTO THE RECORD.
13 TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT
14 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$575 MILLION IN
15 LEASE REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS TO REFUND MULTIPLE CAPITAL
16 FACILITIES PROJECT 4, MULTIPLE CAPITAL FACILITIES PROJECT 5,
17 1996, SERIES A, MULTIPLE CAPITAL FACILITIES PROJECT 5, 1996
18 SERIES B, MULTIPLE CAPITAL FACILITIES PROJECT 6, 2000 SERIES
19 A, ANTELOPE VALLEY COURTHOUSE PROJECT SERIES 2000-A. THAT ITEM
20 IS BEFORE YOU.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
23 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 57 IS THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S
2 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
3 AND SALE OF SOUTH WHITTIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2005
4 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ELECTION 2004, SERIES A IN AGGREGATE
5 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500,000.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE,
8 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
9 SO ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 58, WE'LL HOLD THAT FOR A REPORT.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT WILL BE HELD.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 59, AS NOTED ON THE AGENDA, THE
16 ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 8, 2005, TO COINCIDE WITH
17 THE REPORT BY NAVIGANT, WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR 12:00 NOON.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT IS A SET ITEM. THAT WILL BE
20 CONTINUED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA REQUESTED BY
23 BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, WHICH WERE
24 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
25 INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 60-A.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
3 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND 60-B.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
8 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT COMPLETES THE AGENDA. BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
12 NUMBER TWO.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE CONSUL-GENERAL
15 APPOINTMENT, SO IF YOU'LL PERMIT ME, WE'LL MAKE THOSE-- BUT
16 BEFORE WE DO THAT, AS WELL, I THINK THAT ALL OF US WERE DEEPLY
17 SADDENED BY LAST WEEK'S TRAIN DERAILMENT IN GLENDALE IN THE
18 ATWATER AREA, SO IT'S FITTING TO TAKE A MOMENT TODAY TO
19 ACKNOWLEDGE THE VICTIMS AND THE FAMILIES AFFECTED BY THIS
20 TERRIBLE TRAGEDY AND WE ALL COLLECTIVELY MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN
21 TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF THIS LOSS. OUR COUNTY FAMILY SUFFERED
22 PERSONAL LOSSES AS WELL. WE HAVE DEPUTY SHERIFF JAMES P.
23 TUTINO, A 23-YEAR VETERAN OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
24 DEPARTMENT, WHO WORKED AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. AS WELL AS
25 MANUEL ALCALA, WHO WAS WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,



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1 MAINTENANCE WORKER. OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO THE FAMILIES AND
2 LOVED ONES. WE ALSO WANT TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO THE
3 NUMEROUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND STAFF WHO RESPONDED SO
4 VIGILANTLY TO THE SCENE AND I MOVE THAT WE RATIFY THE LOWERING
5 OF THE COUNTY FLAGS, WHICH WERE LOWERED ON THURSDAY, JANUARY
6 THE 27TH, IN HONOR OF ALL OF THE VICTIMS. THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ADD, AS I REPRESENT ATWATER AND
9 MR. ANTONOVICH REPRESENTS THE OTHER SIDE OF THE TRACKS AT
10 GLENDALE, WE SHARE THAT BORDER, THAT PEOPLE AT COSTCO AND THE
11 COMMUNITY THERE, ESPECIALLY THE PEOPLE WHAT WERE WORKING AT
12 COSTCO THAT MORNING, AT GREAT PERSONAL RISK, BEFORE THE FIRST
13 RESPONDERS EVEN GOT THERE, WENT TO THE TRAIN IN AN EFFORT TO
14 RESCUE AND HELP PEOPLE OUT. AND I THINK COSTCO IN ATWATER
15 DESERVES OUR THANKS AND WE WILL APPROPRIATELY COMMEND THEM IN
16 THE DAYS AHEAD. AND I WANT TO ALSO THANK THE COMMUNITY OUT
17 THERE WHO HAVE BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE AND VERY PATIENT AS THE
18 TRAGEDY UNFOLDED AND THE INVESTIGATION CONTINUED FOR SEVERAL
19 DAYS. WE NOT ONLY LOST SOME PEOPLE, BUT WE STILL HAVE SOME
20 PEOPLE WHO ARE VERY CRITICALLY INJURED AND I WOULD ASK THAT
21 ALL OF US HAVE, IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS, THOSE PEOPLE WHO
22 ARE STILL IN CRITICAL CONDITION, IN INTENSIVE CARE WHO ARE
23 CLINGING ON TO LIFE AND WE'LL HOPE AND PRAY THAT THEY MAKE IT.
24 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ADD KEVIN GREENE,
2 GENERAL MANAGER FOR COSTCO'S LOS FELIZ STORES AND HIS CREW,
3 THEY'VE DONE A VERY FINE JOB. THEY'VE BEEN COMPLETELY INVOLVED
4 IN THE COMMUNITY PRIOR TO THIS TRAGEDY, SO SERVICE TO THE
5 COMMUNITY IN THE GLENDALE, LOS FELIZ AREAS HAVE BEEN A
6 TRADEMARK OF THAT COSTCO STORE. AND THEY'VE BEEN SO RECOGNIZED
7 EVEN BY THIS BOARD PREVIOUSLY. BUT WHAT THEY DID AT THIS TIME
8 TO HELP SAVE LIVES AND THOSE WORKERS FROM THE NIGHT SHIFT
9 WHERE THEY WERE ABLE TO ASSIST THE EMERGENCY CREWS IN THE
10 SAVING OF LIFE AND GETTING THE NECESSARY TREATMENT TO THOSE
11 WHO WERE INJURED. I KNOW GLENDALE--

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HOPEFULLY WE'LL BRING THEM IN AND--

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'LL BRING THEM IN AND WE'RE GOING TO
16 RECOGNIZE THEM.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO A SEPARATE COMMENDATION BECAUSE IT WAS
19 IMPRESSIVE FOR ALL OF US WHO WATCHED IT AND WATCHED ALL OF THE
20 WORKERS WORK SO DILIGENTLY ALL MORNING LONG.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO, AND IT'S A TRAGEDY THAT REALLY COULD NOT
23 BE AVERTED BECAUSE THE PERSON WHO CREATED IT WAS DRIVING ON
24 THE TRACK TO HIT THE TRAIN HEAD-ON. IT WAS NOT A QUESTION OF
25 GRADE CROSSING OR HAVING SOME TYPE OF APPARATUS AT THE



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1 INTERSECTION TO PREVENT A CAR FROM CROSSING. IT WAS NOT A
2 CROSSING GUARD PROBLEM. IT WAS THE FACT THAT HE DELIBERATELY
3 WAS DRIVING ON THE TRACK TO RAM THE TRAIN AND THEN ENDED UP
4 LEAVING THE VEHICLE AND CAUSING THE TRAGEDY SO--

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WELL, WITH
7 THAT, I'M PLEASED THIS MORNING, WE ARE WELCOMING A NEW CONSUL-
8 GENERAL, THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF AUSTRIA, THE HONORABLE MARTIN
9 WEISS. WELCOME, SIR. CONSUL-GENERAL WEISS EARNED A MASTER OF
10 LAWS DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA AND A JURIS
11 DOCTORATE DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA IN AUSTRIA. HE
12 JOINED THE AUSTRIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN 1990 AND
13 SERVED AS ATTACHE TO THE AUSTRIAN MISSION TO THE UNITED
14 NATIONS. HE COMES TO LOS ANGELES AFTER HOLDING VARIOUS
15 POSITIONS IN THE EMBASSY OF AUSTRIA IN WASHINGTON, D.C.
16 CONSUL-GENERAL WEISS SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE AUSTRIAN PRESS
17 AND INFORMATION SERVICES RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE MEDIA AND
18 PRESS ACTIVITIES THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.
19 IN NOVEMBER OF 2004, HE ASSUMED HIS PRESENT POST AS CONSUL-
20 GENERAL OF AUSTRIA HERE IN LOS ANGELES, WITH JURISDICTION IN
21 14 STATES IN THE WESTERN UNITED STATES. HE'S ACCOMPANIED IN
22 LOS ANGELES BY HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN. CONSUL-GENERAL,
23 WE'RE PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU TO LOS ANGELES. WE WANT YOU TO
24 ACCEPT THIS TOKEN AS A-- THIS PLAQUE AS A TOKEN OF OUR
25 FRIENDSHIP AND CERTAINLY OUR WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH YOU



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1 THROUGHOUT YOUR STAY HERE. WE WELCOME YOU TO LOS ANGELES.

2 CONGRATULATIONS, SIR. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONSUL-GENERAL WEISS.

5

6 **CONSUL-GENERAL WEISS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS WELCOME. IT
7 IS INDEED A GREAT HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO REPRESENT
8 THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA HERE TO CALIFORNIA AND THE OTHER
9 STATES IN THE WEST OF THE UNITED STATES. SOMETIMES I'M ASKED,
10 WELL, WHAT ARE YOU DOING AS A CONSUL-GENERAL? REMINDS ME OF
11 THE STORY WHEN A FRENCH AMBASSADOR IS SENT ABROAD AND, BEFORE
12 THAT, HE GOES TO THE PRIME MINISTER AND SAYS, "WELL, SIR, WHAT
13 EXACTLY SHOULD I DO?" AND THE ANSWER IS BRIEF. HE SAYS, "WELL,
14 MAKE THEM LOVE FRANCE." THAT MAY BE A STEEP TASK FOR MY FRENCH
15 COLLEAGUE IN THESE DAY AND AGE BUT, AS FAR AS AUSTRIA IS
16 CONCERNED, IT IS STILL A GOOD DESCRIPTION OF WHAT DIPLOMACY IS
17 ALL ABOUT. SO I THINK IT'S MY JOB TO MAKE CALIFORNIANS LOVE
18 AUSTRIA AND MAKE AUSTRIANS LOVE CALIFORNIA EVEN MORE THAN THEY
19 DO TODAY. THERE'S INDEED A LOT TO BE LOVED ABOUT AUSTRIA, BE
20 THE CLASSICAL MUSIC OF WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART, BE IT THE
21 HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE OF VIENNA OR BE IT THE LANDSCAPE OF
22 AUSTRIA, WHICH YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO WITNESS EVERY YEAR WHEN
23 YOU SEE THE RERUNS OF "THE SOUND OF MUSIC." AS FOR CALIFORNIA,
24 IT HAS BEEN THE LAND AND IT IS THE LAND OF DREAMS FOR MANY
25 AUSTRIANS. MANY HAVE COME OVER HERE ON NOTHING BUT A DREAM.



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1 SOME HAVE BEEN FORCED TO LEAVE AUSTRIA IN THE '30S DUE TO THE
2 RISE OF NATIONAL SOCIALISM. OTHERS CAME LATER, LURED BY THE
3 SAND, THE BEACHES AND THE GLITTERS OF HOLLYWOOD. SOME WENT
4 INTO BODY BUILDING, SOME WENT INTO POLITICS. [LAUGHTER]

5

6 **CONSUL-GENERAL WEISS:** OTHERS DID NOT. I'M REALLY LOOKING
7 FORWARD TO THE NEXT FOUR YEARS WITH YOUR HELP, TO TRY TO BRING
8 THOSE TWO COMMUNITIES EVEN CLOSER TOGETHER. AND I THANK YOU
9 VERY MUCH FOR THIS WARM WELCOME HERE TODAY. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. IT'S A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY.
12 [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF I COULD ASK ALL THE MEMBERS TO JOIN US.
15 WE'D LOVE TO HAVE A PICTURE WITH EVERYONE. [INDISTINCT
16 CONVERSATION]

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MS. BURKE, IF YOU'LL PERMIT ME, I'D LIKE
19 TO DO ONE MORE PRESENTATION. TODAY I'M WEARING RED BECAUSE--
20 IN HONOR OF "WEAR RED FOR WOMEN DAY". I'M PLEASED TO INTRODUCE
21 PEOPLE WHO ARE JOINING ME HERE FROM THE AMERICAN ART
22 ASSOCIATION, THE WESTERN STATES AFFILIATE, GEORGE PLAUGH AND A
23 WHOLE SERIES OF FOLKS. WE'LL HAVE THEM COME AROUND. TODAY--
24 THEY'RE ON THEIR WAY. LET'S SEE. JOINING US TODAY ARE LISA
25 PRESENT, CHRISTIAN CLAUSSEN, GEORGE PLAU, WHO I JUST



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1 INTRODUCED, MARISSA MILLS, MARK REICH, AND KARLINE DAVIS. HAVE
2 I GOT EVERYBODY CORRECT? MR. DEROZA WASN'T ABLE TO JOIN US
3 HERE BUT HE WAS ALSO PART OF OUR DELEGATION. WE'RE PROCLAIMING
4 AND THEY HAVE BEEN A PART OF PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 4TH, 2005,
5 AS "WEAR RED FOR WOMEN DAY." THIS IS BEING RECOGNIZED
6 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. IF YOU'VE SEEN THE FIRST LADY, SHE HAS
7 BEEN INVOLVED IN THIS EFFORT AND IT RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE
8 OF THE ONGOING FIGHT AGAINST HEART DISEASE AND STROKE.
9 DISEASES OF THE HEART ARE THE NATION'S LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH
10 AND STROKE IS THE THIRD LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH. IN THE UNITED
11 STATES, ONE IN FIVE FEMALES HAS SOME FORM OF CARDIOVASCULAR
12 DISEASE. HEART ATTACK, STROKE AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES
13 TRAGICALLY CLAIM THE LIVES OF MORE THAN HALF A MILLION WOMEN
14 EACH YEAR, WHICH IS MORE THAN THE NEXT SEVEN CAUSES OF DEATH
15 COMBINED. EVERY YEAR FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS, MORE WOMEN THAN
16 MEN HAVE DIED OF HEART DISEASE, STROKE, OR OTHER
17 CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES, WHICH TRANSLATES INTO 65,000 MORE
18 DEATHS PER YEAR. AND, ALARMINGLY, THE COST OF TREATING
19 CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES AND STROKE IN THE U.S. IS ESTIMATED TO
20 BE OVER \$368 BILLION. SO THAT'S WHY WE ARE COMMENDING THE
21 AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION HERE TODAY BECAUSE OF THEIR VITAL
22 EFFORTS AND WE'RE URGING ALL OF L.A. COUNTY TO WEAR RED THIS
23 COMING THURSDAY TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN TO PAY ATTENTION TO THEIR
24 OWN HEALTH AND PREVENT THIS KIND OF ALARMING AND ESCALATING,
25 NOT ONLY COST BUT PERSONAL LOSS THAT WE LOSE VERY, VERY



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1 REGULARLY. SO WE WANT TO COMMEND THE LEADERSHIP OF THE
2 AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION AND WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE THEM
3 FOR THEIR EFFORT AND THE WORK THAT THEY WILL BE CARRYING OUT
4 THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. SO, GEORGE, CONGRATULATIONS. PLEASE JOIN
5 ME UP HERE. WHO IS GOING TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I AM.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. PLEASE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THANK YOU. ON BEHALF OF THE
12 AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, WE WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY BOARD
13 OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR ATTENTION TO THIS CRITICAL DISEASE
14 AFFECTING WOMEN OVER 25, HEART DISEASE AND STROKE. THANK YOU
15 VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS. ANYONE
18 ELSE? THANK YOU. SO, AGAIN-- WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A PICTURE--
19 WE WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE IN THE COUNTY, AGAIN, THIS IS A
20 VERY, VERY IMPORTANT CAUSE ON THURSDAY, WEAR RED TO REMIND
21 WOMEN TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR OWN HEALTH.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** WHILE THEY'RE TAKING THE PICTURE, YESTERDAY, I
24 WENT TO A BREAKFAST THAT SISTER TO SISTER, WHICH IS AN
25 ORGANIZATION, IRENE PULLEN IS THE MENTOR ON, AND THEY ARE



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1 HAVING A HUGE HEALTH FAIR AT THE PALLADIUM, I BELIEVE THE DATE
2 IS FEBRUARY 18TH, WHERE WOMEN CAN GET STRESS TESTING AND GET
3 THE TESTING THAT IS NECESSARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THEY
4 HAVE A CHALLENGE TO THEIR HEART. I KNOW THAT OUR OFFICE OF
5 WOMEN'S HEALTH IS SUPPORTING IT BUT URGE EVERYONE TO SUPPORT
6 AND URGE PEOPLE TO COME OUT TO THAT HEALTH FAIR IN ORDER TO
7 GET TESTED AND ALSO FOR US TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN-- WOMEN
8 CAN PROTECT THEIR HEARTS.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANKS, MS. BURKE. THAT WAS VERY HELPFUL.
11 YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP MIA IWITAKI
14 FORWARD. THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES REWARD AND
15 RECOGNITION PROGRAM IS A VERY SPECIAL INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE
16 OF DIVERSITY PROGRAMS AND DIVERSITY OPERATIONS COUNCIL. THIS
17 INITIATIVE RECOGNIZES PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES THAT HAVE
18 SUCCESSFULLY PROMOTED THE SPIRIT OF DIVERSITY THROUGHOUT THE
19 HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS THE BIGGEST DEPARTMENT, OF COURSE,
20 IN THE COUNTY. MOST OF US ARE ALREADY FAR TOO FAMILIAR WITH
21 THE CHALLENGE THE DEPARTMENT FACES IN PROVIDING A SAFETY NET
22 FOR 740,000 PATIENTS IN THE FACE OF SHRINKING RESOURCES AND
23 INCREASED COSTS. NEVERTHELESS, THE COUNTY MANAGES TO PROVIDE
24 SERVICES TO MORE THAN 550,000 UNINSURED PATIENTS EVERY YEAR
25 AND THESE PATIENTS SPEAK MORE THAN 80 DIFFERENT LANGUAGES AND



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1 SOME COME FROM VERY DIVERSE CULTURES. THIS YEAR, THE SPIRIT OF
2 DIVERSITY AWARD WENT TO THE DOWNTOWN CHLAMYDIA MOBILIZATION
3 PROJECT. THIS IS A SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE THAT LEFT
4 UNTREATED, AS IT IS OFTEN AMONG THE UNINSURED AND UNDERSERVED,
5 CAN LEAD TO SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES IN WOMEN. THIS PROJECT MADE
6 AVAILABLE INFORMATION, CONDOMS, SMEARS TO WOMEN WHO BASICALLY
7 WORK IN THE GARMENT INDUSTRY AND GARMENT WORKERS END UP BEING
8 THE ONES WHO ARE OFTEN THE VICTIMS OF THE LACK OF MEDICAL
9 CARE. AND THIS PROJECT, OF COURSE, IS ONE THAT WAS HONORED AND
10 MIA, WHO WE'VE WORKED WITH OVER THE YEARS, IS THE PERSON WHO
11 HELPS TO IDENTIFY AND IS PART OF THIS DIVERSITY PROJECT FROM
12 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **MIA IWITAKI:** HI. ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY
15 PROGRAMS, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THANK
16 SUPERVISOR BURKE FOR BEING PRESENT AND MAKING THIS EVENT AT
17 K.C.E.T. SO SPECIAL FOR OUR RECIPIENTS. AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO
18 THANK MY BOSSES, DR. GARTHWAITE AND FRED LEAF, FOR THEIR
19 SUPPORT. AND THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR ALL OF YOUR
20 SUPPORT.

21

22 **FRED LEAF:** I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK MIA FOR HER HARD WORK,
23 SETTING A HIGH BAR FOR MEETING ALL THE DEMANDS OF ADDRESSING A
24 VERY DIVERSE PATIENT POPULATION AND KEEPING US MOVE FORWARD TO



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1 ENSURE THAT WE HAVE PROPER ACCESS FOR ALL OF THE MANY GROUPS
2 THAT WE SERVE. THANK YOU, MIA.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** LET'S TAKE A PICTURE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MS. BURKE, DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR
7 PRESENTATIONS?

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS. I'LL HAVE SOME
10 OTHERS LATE AT THE TIME THAT MR. ANTONOVICH MAKES HIS.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU HAVE ANY
13 PRESENTATIONS? OKAY. MR. ANTONOVICH, YOUR PRESENTATIONS,
14 PLEASE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THIS MORNING WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE
17 THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HELPED MAKE OUR ELECTION SO SUCCESSFUL
18 THIS PAST NOVEMBER. WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF THOSE
19 VOLUNTEERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE CORPORATE POLL WORKER
20 PROGRAM. AND WITH ME IS CHRIS HEFFRON, WHO IS THE CHIEF DEPUTY
21 FOR THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER AND HARRY JACOBS, WHO IS THE
22 PROGRAM COORDINATOR FOR THE REGISTRAR, ALSO A FELLOW ALUM FROM
23 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AT LOS ANGELES. OUR COUNTY'S
24 REGISTRAR'S SUCCESSFUL ADMINISTRATION OF THIS PAST NOVEMBER'S
25 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WAS, IN NO SMALL PART, DUE TO THE



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1 COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP, THE
2 REGISTRAR'S INNOVATIVE POLL WORKER PROGRAM BROUGHT TOGETHER A
3 COALITION OF INDIVIDUALS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND
4 PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS AND SERVICE CLUBS THAT LED TO THE
5 EXECUTION OF A VERY SMOOTH AND SUCCESSFUL EVENT. A KEY
6 COMPONENT OF POLL WORKER RECRUITMENT HAD BEEN THE ADDITION OF
7 THE CORPORATE POLL WORKER PROGRAM. IT'S A PUBLIC/PRIVATE
8 PARTNERSHIP PROVIDING OPPORTUNITY FOR CIVIC-MINDED
9 CORPORATIONS AND GROUPS TO SERVE THEIR COMMUNITY BY HELPING TO
10 STAFF THOSE VOTING PRECINCTS ON ELECTION DAY. IN RETURN FOR
11 THEIR COMMITMENT, WE ARE PLEASED TO OFFER RECOGNITION AND HOPE
12 THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE THEIR PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE
13 ELECTIONS. WE SAW A TOTAL OF 334 CORPORATE POLL WORKERS
14 PARTICIPATING AT 257 PRECINCTS. WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR
15 COMPLEMENT, THEIR COMMITMENT AND ASSISTANCE AND WE LOOK
16 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THEM DURING THE UPCOMING NOVEMBER 2005
17 DISTRICT ELECTIONS THAT MAY BE COMING IN CERTAIN AREAS. AND,
18 IF THERE IS A SPECIAL ELECTION IN 2005, WE HOPE THAT THEY WILL
19 BE INVOLVED IN THAT AS WELL. SO, FIRST, LET ME RECOGNIZE A
20 VERY GOOD FRIEND, A MAN WHO SERVED ME AS ONE OF MY APPOINTEES
21 AS SUPERVISOR OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND A LEADER OF THE
22 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND THAT'S EDWARD BOLDEN, ANDEL
23 ENGINEERING COMPANY. ED? ALSO, A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW. FREDERICK
24 SOLE, MARKING REPRESENTATIVE OF COLDWELL WEEDEN AND COMPANY OF
25 PASADENA. CAROLYN CRAWFORD, PRESIDENT OF THE FOOTHILL SUNRISE



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1 ROTARY CLUB. FRANCIS EVANGER, PRESIDENT OF ROTARY CLUB OF
2 PALMDALE. JOHN AND PEGGY ENTS, PRESIDENT OF ROTARY CLUB, SAN
3 FERNANDO NORTHWEST. MARIAN PETTY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
4 SUN VALLEY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. AND JANICE GARCIA,
5 CERTIFICATION SPECIALIST FOR TRINITY FOSTER CARE. LOUISE
6 TRACONE, PRESIDENT OF WEST COVINA SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB. LET ME
7 ALSO ADD THAT THE ROTARIANS WERE VERY SUCCESSFUL IN
8 ERADICATING POLIO ABROAD THROUGH A VERY EFFECTIVE PROGRAM
9 CALLED THE PAUL HARRIS FELLOW, WHERE EACH OF THE MEMBERS WHO
10 WERE CONTRIBUTING AND, AS A RESULT OF THAT THROUGH THAT
11 PRIVATE EFFORT, THEY WERE ABLE TO ERADICATE POLIO IN THIRD
12 WORLD COUNTRIES. WE APPRECIATE THEM FOR THAT SERVICE ABROAD AS
13 WELL. SO WE'LL TAKE A GROUP PICTURE.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY ALL WENT AND SAT DOWN.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OH, WE'VE GOT MORE. OKAY. HOLD ON. WE'RE
18 GOING TO...

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE'LL HAVE TO BRING THEM BACK UP.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO INTRODUCE ALSO
23 ARCADIA SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB. WE HAVE ROY YORK, DISTRICT
24 GOVERNOR, AND SUSAN B. NUNERY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE
25 GOVERNOR, CALIFORNIA WEST, AND SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN



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1 CREATING THE SERVICE CLUB OPTION AND THE CORPORATE POLL WORKER
2 PROGRAM AND LET ME GIVE THEM THIS PROCLAMATION. WE HAVE THE
3 CLAREMONT ROTARY CLUB. AND WE HAVE THE ROTARY CLUB OF ARCADIA.
4 AND CLAREMONT. SIERRA MADRE. YOU'RE GOING TO GET THE TOASTER.
5 [LIGHT LAUGHTER] NOW WE HAVE THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR, KERMIT
6 FLOYD FROM ROTARY DISTRICT 5260, TO ACCEPT THREE SCROLLS ON
7 BEHALF OF HIS FELLOW ROTARIANS, WE HAVE THE ROTARY CLUB OF
8 NORTHRIDGE CHATSWORTH, ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND
9 ROTARY CLUB OF SUNRISE-- ROTARY CLUB IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.
10 AND, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE-- FOR THE POLLWORKERS?

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES. THANK YOU SO MUCH. LET ME JOIN WITH
13 MY COLLEAGUES HERE IN MAKING THESE PRESENTATIONS. YOU KNOW,
14 THE WORK THAT THESE CORPORATE SPONSORS AND NONPROFIT SPONSORS
15 IS SO VERY IMPORTANT. I HAVE DONE IT FOR THE LAST THREE
16 ELECTIONS AND IT IS A TOUGH, TOUGH DAY BUT YOU FEEL REALLY
17 WONDERFUL. IT'S GREAT SERVICE THAT YOU'RE PROVIDING TO EVERY
18 SINGLE RESIDENT AND CITIZEN OF THIS COUNTY WHEN YOU'RE
19 ASSISTING THEM IN MAKING SURE THAT THEY ARE FINDING ACCESS TO
20 THE POLLS, THEY ARE GETTING TO VOTE AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY,
21 THAT WE'RE PROVIDING THEM THE ASSURANCE THAT THEY'RE THERE
22 WITH THEIR NEIGHBORS AND WE ALL ENCOURAGE THEM TO VOTE. WE
23 WANT TO PARTICULARLY THANK THESE FOLKS WHO HAVE BEEN A PART OF
24 THE LEADERSHIP IN BRINGING OTHERS AS POLL WORKERS TO COME AND
25 JOIN US THAT DAY. THEY DO THE RECRUITING, THEY'RE THE ONES



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1 THAT GO OUT THERE AND ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO DO IT AND IT IS
2 REALLY VERY FITTING THAT WE COMMEND THEM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING
3 WORK AND, HOPEFULLY, WE ENCOURAGE THEM TO CONTINUE TO JOIN US
4 BECAUSE IT REALLY IS OUTSTANDING WORK, SO WE CONGRATULATE ALL
5 OF YOU. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I HAVE-- I AM VERY PLEASED THAT WE HAVE
8 HAD, FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF VERNON, WE HAVE DON COTHAM. I
9 WANT TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO HIM FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WORK
10 AND HIS LEADERSHIP. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

11

12 **DON COTHAM:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS, SIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
15 ALTHOUGH NOT HERE, WE HAD FROM THE FIRM OF RYDER, HUNT, LOVETT
16 AND BAILEY, THEY WERE ALSO OUR CORPORATE SPONSORS AND WE WERE
17 VERY PLEASED THAT THEY JOINED US. ALSO, FROM HUNTINGTON PARK,
18 THE KIWANIS CLUB, WE INVITE NICK BEHARANO AND WE WANT TO THANK
19 HIM SO MUCH FOR PROVIDING THE LEADERSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY.
20 THANK YOU, SIR. IT WAS A PLEASURE. THANKS AGAIN, MR. BEHARANO.
21 WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT. ALSO, FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF
22 MONTEREY PARK, WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE SALLY CHAN FOR HER
23 LEADERSHIP IN BRINGING SO MANY PEOPLE TO COME AND JOIN US.
24 THANK YOU SO MUCH, SALLY. IT IS A GOOD TIME, EVEN THOUGH IT'S
25 A LOT OF WORK BUT IT REALLY IS AN ENJOYABLE DAY. ALSO, FROM



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1 THE ROTARY CLUB, THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR, ROY YORK AND SUSAN
2 NUNERY, ARE ACCEPTING CERTIFICATES ON BEHALF OF THE ROTARY
3 CLUB OF EAST LOS ANGELES AND THE ROTARY CLUB OF AZUSA. WE WANT
4 TO THANK THEM AS WELL FOR THE LEADERSHIP THAT THEY HAVE
5 PROVIDED AND ALSO ENCOURAGING ALL THE OTHER ROTARY CLUBS TO
6 JOIN WITH US IN THIS VERY SIGNIFICANT EFFORT. SO WE
7 CONGRATULATE YOU, SO YOU WILL ACCEPT THIS. THANKS FOR YOUR
8 LEADERSHIP. WE APPRECIATE IT. AGAIN, WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
9 APPRECIATION TO ALL OF THEM AND WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE ALL OF
10 YOU WHO ARE HERE, AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC WHO WAS LISTENING AND
11 WATCHING, TO JOIN US ON ELECTION DAY AS A POLL WORKER. IT IS A
12 TOUGH DAY BUT IT IS ALSO A GREAT DAY. YOU WILL ENJOY IT. MS.
13 BURKE, YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HONOR THOSE CLUBS AND
16 THOSE ORGANIZATIONS THAT PARTICIPATED IN OUR DISTRICT, AND WE
17 HAVE HERE FROM THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, MARGERY INGLE. HERE
18 SHE IS OVER HERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND PAT CASHON, WE HAVE
19 HERE. PAT CASHON IS FROM THE WILSHIRE LOS ANGELES ROTARY CLUB.
20 ALL RIGHT. I DON'T BELIEVE WE HAVE ANY OF THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO
21 ARE HERE BUT I'M GOING TO ANNOUNCE THEM. WE HAVE THE ROTARY
22 CLUB OF HAWTHORNE AND IF LISA WELIC COMES IN LATER, I WOULD
23 LIKE TO RECOGNIZE HER. SHE'S HERE? WOULD SHE PLEASE COME
24 FORWARD? THANK YOU VERY MUCH, ROTARY CLUB OF HAWTHORNE. ALSO,
25 I WANT TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE ROTARY CLUB OF GARDENA WAS ACTIVE



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1 WITH THAT AS WELL AS WILSHIRE ROTARY CLUB AND WE'LL MAKE SURE
2 THAT THEY GET THEIR CERTIFICATES BUT IF THEY COME IN, WE WANT
3 TO RECOGNIZE THEM. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MS. BURKE. MR. YAROSLAVSKY?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
8 ALL THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE PROGRAM FOR THEIR SUPPORT. OUR
9 POLL WORKER PROGRAM IS IMPORTANT. I'LL TELL YOU THAT, IN
10 DECEMBER, AT THE END OF THE YEAR, I WAS IN THE UKRAINE
11 MONITORING, IT'S PART OF INTERNATIONAL OBSERVATORY, MONITORING
12 THEIR ELECTIONS AND THE PRIDE WITH WHICH THEIR POLL WORKERS
13 DID THEIR JOB, IT WAS-- WE TAKE IT FOR GRANTED HERE BUT, WHEN
14 IT'S THE FIRST TIME, IT KIND OF RENEWS YOUR-- ALMOST THE
15 REVOLUTIONARY SPIRIT THAT MUST HAVE BEEN HERE 200 YEARS AGO.
16 SO I WANT TO THANK THEM AND HONOR THEM WITH THESE
17 PROCLAMATIONS. FIRST OF ALL, WASTE MANAGEMENT OF LOS ANGELES,
18 LILY LEE. LILY HERE? I DON'T THINK SO. BUT THEY WILL MAKE SURE
19 SHE GETS THE PROCLAMATION. JOHN WHITMOORE, REPRESENTING
20 WOODLAND HILLS-- I'M SORRY, WORLD OF TRAVEL, INCORPORATED. IS
21 HE HERE? NOT HERE. THE ROTARY CLUB OF MALIBU. ANYBODY WHO CAME
22 IN FROM MALIBU THIS MORNING GETS TWO PROCLAMATIONS. [LIGHT
23 LAUGHTER]

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL MAKE SURE THEY GET IT.
2 CARMEN PORTNOIS. CARMEN, COME ON UP. CARMEN IS REPRESENTING
3 THE ROTARY CLUB OF VENICE, VENICE MARINA ROTARY. NEXT, THE
4 ROTARY CLUB OF WOODLAND HILLS. DAVID GENDERS AND JOHN
5 WHITMOORE, AGAIN. I DON'T KNOW IF DAVID IS HERE. OKAY. THAT'S
6 ANOTHER ACT OF GREAT SACRIFICE, COMING IN FROM WOODLAND HILLS
7 IN THE MORNING. NEXT, THE FOOTHILL AREA, BOOSTERS ASSOCIATION
8 OF LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, OFFICER KAREN YORK, SERGEANT
9 HAROLD EGGER AND MARYANNE CEDARLAND. THEY'RE NOT HERE.
10 HOPEFULLY, THEY'RE OUT PATROLLING THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WHICH IS
11 BETTER THAN BEING HERE. NEXT IS THE ABILITY FIRST PAUL WESTON
12 CENTER, DAVID GENDERS, AGAIN. DAVID'S PICKING UP TWO AWARDS.
13 LIKE JAMIE FOX, TWO ACADEMY AWARDS, POTENTIALLY. NEXT IS THE
14 AMERICAN LEGION POST 283 OF THE PACIFIC PALISADES. WILLIAM
15 BRANCH. HAILING FROM ONE OF THE NICE AMERICAN LEGION HALLS IN
16 OUR COUNTY OUT THERE IN THE PALISADES. JEFFREY HAMILTON,
17 REPRESENTING THE PSI EPSILON FRATERNITY AT PEPPERDINE
18 UNIVERSITY. IS JEFF HAMILTON HERE? NO. CAN'T SEE WITHOUT MY
19 GLASSES. NEXT IS DR. KINSLEY FEIFF, PAST PRESIDENT OF THE LIONS
20 DISTRICT FOUR, DISTRICT GOVERNOR RICHARD SELLWAY ALSO OF THE
21 LIONS CLUB OF SANTA MONICA. VICTORIA BURKE, REPRESENTING THE
22 ROTARY CLUB OF CALABASAS, AGOURA HILLS. IS VICTORIA HERE? YES,
23 THERE SHE IS. OKAY. NEXT IS BARBARA INATUGA AND KAREN KERRY,
24 REPRESENTING THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, MALIBU-- IN SANTA
25 MONICA. ARE THEY HERE? THERE THEY ARE. COME ON UP. NEXT IS TO



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1 DISTRICT GOVERNOR-- IS IT PAT CUSHEN? WHO REPRESENTS--
2 REPRESENTING THE ROTARY CLUB OF WESTWOOD VILLAGE. MY DENTIST'S
3 ROTARY CLUB. AND LAST BUT CERTAINLY NOT LEAST, DISTRICT-- PAT,
4 COME ON BACK. I THINK YOU'RE DOING DOUBLE DUTY. YOU'RE ALSO
5 PICKING UP A PROCLAMATION FOR THE ROTARY CLUB OF PACIFIC
6 PALISADES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THOSE
9 PRESENTATIONS. MR. ANTONOVICH, WE'RE BACK TO YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE, WHO IS SERVING
12 ON JURY DUTY TODAY, SO TO REPRESENT THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL
13 DISTRICT VOLUNTEERS I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE CHRIS SATELL AND
14 BILL AND IRMA OCHOA, AND YVETTE MOFFICE MACK, WHO ARE FRIENDS
15 OF THE STYMET SENIOR CENTER. LESLIE ANN RYDER, THE LEAGUE OF
16 WOMEN VOTERS FROM THE LONG BEACH AREA. HELEN COFFEE AND LINDA
17 HERMANN, LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, PALOS VERDES, SAN PEDRO.
18 PATRICK FARB, PRESIDENT OF POWER KARATE, INCORPORATED. CHARLES
19 FERRERO, PRESIDENT OF PALOS VERDES SUNSET ROTARY CLUB. JERRY
20 SHORT AND RITA HINCKLEY, PRUDENTIAL CALIFORNIA REALTY. GAYLE
21 ALVIN BAILEY AND STEVE SARAH, ROTARY CLUB, REDONDO BEACH.
22 JOSEPH IOLA, ROTARY CLUB OF SAN PEDRO. NANCY ROBERT AND ROBERT
23 LONG, ROTARY CLUB OF SIGNAL HILL.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MAN, I MUST BE GETTING OLD.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, WE'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE PAT CASHON,
3 DISTRICT GOVERNOR FOR DISTRICT 5280 TO ACCEPT SCROLLS ON
4 BEHALF OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF BELLFLOWER AND THE ROTARY CLUB OF
5 EL SEGUNDO AND THE ROTARY CLUB OF PALOS VERDES PENINSULA.
6 FINALLY, GRANT INGLE, WHO IS DISTRICT GOVERNOR FOR DISTRICT
7 5320 TO ACCEPT THE SCROLLS ON BEHALF OF HIS FELLOW ROTARIANS,
8 ROTARY CLUB OF LOS ALAMITOS, SEAL BEACH.

9

10 **CHRISTINE HEFFRON:** I WANT TO THANK ALL OF OUR CORPORATE POLL
11 WORKERS. I'M CHRISTINE HEFFRON, CHIEF DEPUTY REPRESENTING THE
12 REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S OFFICE. AND WITHOUT THE DEDICATION AND
13 THE SUPPORT OF SO MANY PEOPLE WHO HELP US TO RECRUIT POLL
14 WORKERS AND TO HELP SERVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE
15 CITIZENS OF L.A. WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE THE SUCCESSFUL
16 ELECTIONS THAT WE DO. SO I WANT TO GIVE MY SINCERE THANKS AND
17 APPRECIATION TO ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO CAME DOWN HERE TODAY
18 AND FOR THOSE OTHERS WHO WERE NOT ABLE TO COME, TO HELP US
19 ACHIEVE WHAT SO MANY OTHER COUNTRIES ARE STRIVING TO ACHIEVE
20 AND THAT'S TO HAVE SUCCESSFUL ELECTIONS WITH LARGE TURNOUTS.
21 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU
22 IN THE MANY YEARS TO COME. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU.

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1 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER, I WANT TO THANK
2 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR PROVIDING ALL OF THESE VOLUNTEER
3 CITIZENS AND THEIR CORPORATIONS RECOGNITION. IT'S WHAT MAKES
4 THE SYSTEM WORK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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8 **SPEAKER:** I'VE BEEN ASKED TO-- IT'S 40 YEARS ALMOST TO THE
9 MONTH THAT MIKE AND I HAVE SEEN EACH OTHER EYEBALL TO EYEBALL.
10 THE LAST TIME WAS OVER AN ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY DEBATE AT
11 CAL STATE L.A. [SCATTERED APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONCE AGAIN, WE JUST WANT TO THANK OUR PRIVATE
14 PARTICIPATORS, VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED MAKE THIS ELECTION
15 SUCCESSFUL AND WE CAN ALL APPRECIATE WHAT HAPPENED IN IRAQ
16 WITH ABOUT 60% OF THE PEOPLE VOTED IN THEIR FIRST ELECTION AND
17 HOW SUCCESSFUL, COMPARED TO ALL OF THE WORK THAT GOES INTO AN
18 ELECTION, THAT YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THE SACRIFICE THAT THOSE
19 PEOPLE MADE WHERE THEY'RE ABLE TO VOTE AND MAYBE NOT GET BACK
20 HOME SAFELY, WHERE WE HAVE TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO VOTE AND
21 THEY ARE ABLE TO GET HOME SAFELY. SO WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
22 AND NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP, AND MAYBE SOMEBODY IN THE
23 AUDIENCE WOULD LIKE TO BE A FOSTER PARENT, BECAUSE WE HAVE
24 HOWIE HERE, WHO IS A COCKER SPANIEL, SEVEN WEEKS OLD, HE'S A
25 LITTLE BOY LOOKING FOR A HOME. WHEN HE HEARD OF POLLS, HE



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1 THOUGHT, YOU KNOW, THIS IS THE LITTLE BOY YOU MIGHT LIKE TO
2 HAVE. SO THIS IS HOWIE. ANYBODY WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HOWIE
3 CAN CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR TELEVISION
4 SCREEN, (562) 728-4644 OR ANY OF OUR VOLUNTEERS FROM THE
5 POLLING EVENT WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HOWIE AND HE WOULD MAKE
6 A NICE LITTLE COMPANION COMING UP FOR VALENTINE'S DAY.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, MS. BURKE, WE BEGIN
9 WITH YOUR SPECIALS THIS MORNING.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WOULD MOVE THIS
12 MORNING THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GREGORY
13 CANN, WHO PASSED AWAY JANUARY 17TH, A 13-YEAR EMPLOYEE OF THE
14 REAL ESTATE RECORD SECTION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REGISTRAR-
15 RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK. MR. CANN WAS A VERY SPECIAL EMPLOYEE
16 AND FRIEND TO THE DEPARTMENT. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY,
17 HIS FATHER, BENNY CANN, HIS MOTHER, GWENDOLYN CANN, A SISTER,
18 VALERIE CANN, DAUGHTERS SHARON, SHEVON CANN, A DAUGHTER,
19 SHEVONNE CANN, AND A BROTHER, CHRISTOPHER CANN. WE'D ALSO
20 WOULD ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF YORK WALLACE, SR., WHO
21 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 9TH, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
22 DISTRICT. HE MIGRATED TO CALIFORNIA IN 1945 FROM GILLMER,
23 TEXAS. HE WORKED IN THE STEEL INDUSTRY, RETIRING FROM U.S.
24 STEEL IN 1980 AFTER 35 YEARS OF SERVICE. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH
25 HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE OF 56 YEARS, OPAL WALLACE, EIGHT CHILDREN,



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1 23 GRANDCHILDREN, 27 GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT,
2 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. AND MRS. ROBBIE PRESTON WILLIAMS, WHO
3 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 26TH. SHE WAS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF
4 THE SECOND DISTRICT. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY A SON,
5 BILLY PRESTON, AND TWO DAUGHTERS, RODENA PRESTON AND GWEN
6 PRESTON-GOODEN AND HER SON BILLY PRESTON HAS ALWAYS BEEN
7 WILLING TO COME OUT TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT FOR US AND TO
8 PARTICIPATE IN OUR COUNTY PROGRAMS. JEREMY ADAM LARA WAS AN
9 18-YEAR-OLD WHO WAS SHOT AND KILLED ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 23RD.
10 HE LEAVES HIS MOTHER, MARTHA PATRICIA GONZALEZ AND HIS FATHER,
11 CARLOS LARA AND A BROTHER, GIOVANNI CARLOS LARA AND A SISTER
12 GENESIS PATRICIA LARA AND THIS IS MARIA BELTRAN'S COUSINS. AND
13 NORMAN B. HOUSTON, A GOLDEN STATE MUTUAL ICON, BANKER,
14 FINANCIER WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. NORMAN WAS A CORPORATE
15 OFFICIAL OF THE GOLDEN STATE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY IN
16 LOS ANGELES SERVING AS CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
17 SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER TREASURER
18 AND CORPORATE SECRETARY AMONG OTHER POSITIONS OVER A SPAN OF
19 21 YEARS. NORMAN BECAME A FELLOW OF THE LIFE MANAGEMENT
20 INSTITUTE IN 1960. HE WAS A TRUSTEE OF THE U.C.L.A. FOUNDATION
21 AND SERVED AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE LOS ANGELES CIVIL SERVICE
22 COMMISSION AND A COMMISSION OF THE LOS ANGELES HUMAN RELATIONS
23 COMMISSION. NORMAN WAS ACTIVE IN CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT AND
24 PARTICIPATED IN 1965, SELMA, ALABAMA MARCH AND TO-- WITH DR.
25 MARTIN LUTHER KING. HE ALSO SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE LOS



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1 ANGELES NAACP AND TREASURER OF THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE.
2 IN 1969, HE RECEIVED THE U.C.L.A. OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD FOR
3 COMMUNITY SERVICE. HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE COSMOS CLUB
4 AND THE BOARD DIRECTOR OF GOLDEN STATE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE
5 COMPANY AND GOLDEN STATE MINORITY FOUNDATION UNTIL HIS
6 PASSING. MY RECOLLECTION IS ALSO THAT HE HAD A VERY HIGH
7 POSITION IN WASHINGTON AT ONE TIME DURING HIS CAREER. AND HE'S
8 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JOY, TWO CHILDREN, NORMAN A. HOUSTON AND
9 SHARON ROBERT TATE, HIS BROTHER, IVAN J. HOUSTON, THREE
10 GRANDCHILDREN, THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND NUMEROUS NIECES,
11 NEPHEWS, COUSINS AND FRIENDS. ACTOR LAMONT BENTLEY, A 31-YEAR-
12 OLD ACTOR KNOWN FOR HIS ROLE AS HAKIM CAMPBELL ON THE T.V.
13 SITCOM, "MOESHA," WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY IN A TRAGIC CAR
14 ACCIDENT. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS TWO DAUGHTERS AND HIS MOTHER.
15 CHARLES F. MCCARNS, JR., A 60-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
16 DISTRICT WHO PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. HE'S
17 SURVIVED BY HIS DEVOTED WIFE, MARIAH.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS, MS.
20 BURKE.

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22 **SUP. BURKE:** FOR NEXT WEEK, I HAVE A COUPLE OF MOTIONS THAT I'M
23 PUTTING IN THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY A WORD ABOUT THEM AT THIS
24 TIME. LAST WEEK, WHEN I HEARD THE ISSUES AS IT RELATED TO ONE
25 OF OUR CONTRACTORS PROVIDING SERVICES WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILY



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1 SERVICES, IT BECAME VERY OBVIOUS TO ME THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT
2 SOME OF THOSE KIND OF ASSURANCES AND REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE
3 BEEN SET UP IN FEDERAL LAW. AND THEN I FOUND OUT THAT THERE
4 HAD BEEN A STATE BILL PASSED THAT BECAME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1ST
5 THAT ADDRESSES THE NECESSITY OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS HAVING
6 AUDIT COMMITTEES AND HAVING PEOPLE WHO ARE LOOKING AT IT AND
7 INDEPENDENT AUDITS. NOW, THAT STATE LEGISLATION ONLY APPLIES
8 TO NONPROFITS WHO DO MORE THAN \$2 MILLION IN CONTRACTS OTHER
9 THAN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS. AND THE REASON IT EXCLUDED
10 GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS BECAUSE IT ASSUMED GOVERNMENT WOULD BE
11 LOOKING AT ALL OF THESE ISSUES CAREFULLY. WELL, MIRRORING THIS
12 STATE BILL, WHICH WAS S.B. 1262, MIRRORS THE FEDERAL SARBANES
13 OXLEY ACT OF 2002 WHICH DICTATED CORPORATE FINANCIAL
14 DISCLOSURE AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.
15 RECENTLY, THAT WAS APPLIED TO NONPROFITS AS WELL. AND I WILL
16 BE PUTTING ON FOR NEXT WEEK A BILL THAT WOULD DIRECT THAT OUR
17 DEPARTMENT HEADS, WHEN THEY GRANT A CONTRACT OR RENEW A
18 CONTRACT, THEY WILL LOOK AT WHETHER OR NOT THOSE ORGANIZATIONS
19 ARE COMPLYING WITH SB-1262. NOW, IF THEY ARE UNDER THE TWO
20 MILLION, THEY WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY BUT I DO THINK
21 THAT WE SHOULD LOOK AT SOME OF OUR PROCESSES AS WE GIVE OUT
22 CONTRACTS TO SEE THAT MAYBE WE MAY WANT OUR OTHER CONTRACTORS
23 THAT WE GIVE \$2 MILLION CONTRACTS TO, TO ALSO COMPLY WITH SOME
24 OF THOSE PROVISIONS. SO I WOULD ASK THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL
25 LOOK AT HOW WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ASSURE THAT NOT ONLY WOULD



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1 DEPARTMENTS EDUCATE THE NONPROFITS BUT THEY WOULD ALSO CHECK
2 TO SEE IF THEY ARE COMPLYING WITH SOME OF THOSE THINGS THAT
3 HAVE BECOME ACCEPTABLE IN TERMS OF FOR-PROFIT AND NONPROFIT
4 CORPORATIONS TODAY. I KNOW THAT, IN MY DISTRICT, OFTEN WE HAVE
5 SMALL NONPROFITS THAT SAY THEY JUST CAN'T TAKE CARE OF ALL OF
6 THESE THINGS BUT SOME OF THEM ARE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO LEARN,
7 BECAUSE WE CAN'T PUT GOVERNMENT MONEY OUT THERE AND NOT HAVE
8 IT ACCOUNTED FOR AND HAVE IT AUDITED. SO I AM PUTTING THIS ON
9 FOR NEXT WEEK.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT WOULD HAVE GONE A LONG WAY ON THAT
12 REFUGIO PARA NINOS.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** HM?

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT WOULD HAVE GONE A LONG WAY. SO IT'S
17 PERFECT.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, YEAH. I THINK WE'RE JUST-- WERE GOING TO HAVE
20 TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU, MY DISTRICT,
21 WE HAVE SMALL CONTRACTORS WHO JUST WILL NOT GET THE NECESSARY
22 AUDITING AND WE HAVE TO DO IT. AND MAYBE IT'S EDUCATION. MAYBE
23 WE HAVE TO HAVE TECHNICAL EXPERTISE AVAILABLE TO THESE SMALL
24 COMPANIES.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO
2 LOSE THOSE NONPROFITS.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE THEM. WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE
5 THEM BUT WE NEED TO ALSO ASSIST THEM BECAUSE THEY ALSO CAN'T
6 DEAL WITH MONEY ANY WAY THEY WANT SO...

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT, YOU KNOW, TO USE THE LAS VEGAS TRIPS AND
9 THE CADILLAC...

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** WE CAN'T ACCEPT THAT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S IRRESPONSIBLE AND THESE PEOPLE KNOW UP
14 FRONT WHAT THEY'RE DOING. WHEN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THOSE THAT
15 NEED A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMPLEXITIES, THIS WILL
16 HELP THOSE INDIVIDUALS TO STAY SOLVENT. BUT THE OTHERS WHO ARE
17 DEFRAUDING THE SYSTEM...

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THE PERSON THAT WE HEARD FROM LAST WEEK IS
20 VERY SOPHISTICATED. I'M SURE HE WAS VERY AWARE OF ALL OF THOSE
21 THINGS. BUT WE HAVE OTHERS WHO DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE THAT
22 SAME KIND OF SOPHISTICATION. ALSO, I KNOW THAT NEXT WEEK WE'RE
23 GOING TO HEAR ABOUT THE NAVIGANT-- FROM THE NAVIGANT GROUP IN
24 TERMS OF THE ADDITIONAL ISSUES THAT THEY'VE ADDRESSED BUT
25 THERE WAS ONE THAT I THOUGHT WE SHOULD TAKE TIME TO LOOK AT.



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1 AND ONE OF THE THINGS THEY SAID WAS THAT OUR HOSPITAL
2 ADMINISTRATORS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE NOT BEING COMPENSATED
3 SIMILAR TO OTHER PUBLIC ADMINISTRATORS OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS. SO
4 FOR NEXT WEEK, I'M GOING TO PUT ON THE AGENDA TO DIRECT THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES WORKING IN CONCERT WITH THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICE AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
7 OFFICER TO OBTAIN COMPENSATION INFORMATION INCLUDING SALARY
8 AND BENEFITS FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OR THEIR EQUIVALENT
9 AT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATIONS IN COMPARABLE
10 POSITIONS TO OUR L.A. COUNTY HEALTH FACILITIES. THAT WILL BE
11 FOR NEXT WEEK.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BUT, MS. BURKE, I JUST WANT TO
14 ASK YOU JUST ON THAT SO I UNDERSTAND, THAT'S NOT AN INTENTION
15 TO DELAY THE APPOINTMENT OR TO MOVE FORWARD ON THE ADVISORY?
16 YOU'RE JUST TALKING ABOUT THE COMPENSATION STUDIES.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** THE COMPENSATION STUDIES TO GO FORWARD AT THE SAME
19 TIME THAT THEY'RE IDENTIFIED...

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WOULD BE FASCINATING TO SEE IF THEY CAN DO
22 ANYTHING IN 30 DAYS BUT I'M PLEASED YOU'RE MANDATING IT.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT ONE OF THE THINGS, I KNOW THAT THEY ARE
25 CHARGED WITH FINDING AN ADMINISTRATOR. AFTER THEY GO OUT-- IF



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1 THEY'RE GOING TO LOOK FOR AN ADMINISTRATOR, WE PROBABLY NEED
2 TO BE ABLE TO SAY TO THEM THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO
3 PROVIDE COMPETITIVE COMPENSATION TO OTHER PUBLIC HOSPITALS. SO
4 I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT THEY LOOK AT THAT. IF IT TAKES LONGER
5 THAN 30 DAYS, WE UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT I BELIEVE THEY'RE GOING
6 TO TRY TO GET SOMEONE SELECTED BY-- THEY'RE GOING TO TRY TO
7 SELECT SOMEONE FOR THAT POSITION, I BELIEVE, BY MAY.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHICH WOULD BE A GOOD THING.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL CALL UP AT THIS TIME ITEM NUMBER 22 THAT WAS
12 HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM NUMBER 22, WE HAVE DR.
15 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US ON THAT ITEM.
16 AND, MISS CLAVREUL, YOU'VE ALSO BROUGHT UP ITEM NUMBER 58, SO
17 IF YOU'D ADDRESS THOSE TWO ITEMS, WE'D APPRECIATE IT.

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
20 ITEM 22 IS OF GREAT CONCERN TO ME BECAUSE, AGAIN, IT'S THE
21 SAME COMPANY WHO HAS DONE THE SAME AUDITS OVER THE LAST FEW
22 YEARS, THE SAME COMPANY THAT THE COMMISSION FORCED TO CHANGE
23 THEIR FINDINGS REPEATEDLY. ANY COMPANY, AFTER DOING AN AUDIT,
24 CHANGE THEIR FINDING UPON BEING, YOU KNOW, ADVISED FROM THE
25 COMMISSION TO CHANGE THE FINDING OF THE AUDIT. SO MS. BURKE, I



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1 THINK YOUR SUGGESTION TO REALLY REVIEW NONPROFIT AND HOW THEY
2 FUNCTION IS VERY TIMELY. BUT, EVEN WHEN THEY HAVE BEEN
3 REVIEWED, LIKE THEY ARE IN, YOU KNOW, IN THE ISSUE OF THE
4 COMMISSION, THE MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION BROWBEAT THE COMPANY
5 TO CHANGE THEIR FINDING AND THAT'S TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE. NOT
6 ONLY DO THEY DO THAT BUT, THIS YEAR, WE INCREASED THEIR
7 PAYMENT. AND FOR 210,000 DOLLARS, WE'RE GOING TO GET GARBAGE,
8 AS USUAL, AND THAT'S TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE. I MEAN, YOU KNOW,
9 C.F.C. IS TAXPAYER MONEY, AND WE SHOULD EXPECT AN INSTRUMENT
10 WHICH IS VALID AND FINDINGS WHICH ARE NOT MANIPULATED. AND I
11 WOULD NOT WANT TO ADDRESS 58 AT THIS TIME BECAUSE I WANT TO
12 LISTEN TO THE REPORT FIRST. IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THERE LAST
13 WEEK AND I THINK FOR ME TO SPEAK TO AN ITEM WITHOUT THE REPORT
14 IS ABSOLUTELY FUTILE. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM IS MOVED BY
19 SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF
20 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON ITEM NUMBER 22.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** ITEM 27.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM NUMBER 27. THAT'S ALSO BEEN HELD BY A
25 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. MR. BAXTER, DO YOU WANT TO JOIN US? AND



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1 MR. BAXTER, I HAVE THE RESPONSE THAT YOU SAID YOU WERE NOT
2 GIVEN THAT WE KNOW YOU HAVE GOTTEN-- MR. BAXTER?

3

4 **PETER BAXTER:** I THINK, MADAM CHAIR, THAT YOU WILL FIND, FROM
5 THE RECORD, THAT I ACCEPTED... [INTERJECTIONS FROM AUDIENCE]

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW BUT I'M GOING TO FORMALLY GIVE IT
8 DO YOU SO THAT WE DON'T HEAR THAT YOU DID NOT GET A RESPONSE.
9 HERE'S YOUR RESPONSE.

10

11 **PETER BAXTER:** A LETTER FROM YOU. MISS YVONNE AUTRY, IT IS VERY
12 SWEET OF HER TO TAKE THE SITUATION UP BUT MISS YVONNE AUTRY
13 DOESN'T HAVE THE SAME INFORMATION THAT I'VE GOT, AND I'M MOST
14 GRATEFUL TO HER. I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND YOUR JOHN ALDEN BUSINESS
15 BUT IS THAT AN AMERICAN HISTORICAL ITEM? JOHN ALDEN? BECAUSE
16 YOU SPOKE ABOUT JOHN ALDEN. SPEAK FOR YOURSELF. JOHN ALDEN...

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S AN OLD STORY, MR. BAXTER. I'LL BE
19 HAPPY TO SHARE IT WITH YOU PRIVATELY ABOUT JOHN ALDEN BUT IT'S
20 JUST THAT MISS AUTRY WAS BRINGING UP THINGS THAT WERE NOT
21 RELEVANT AND WE CERTAINLY DIDN'T WANT TO BE DISRESPECTFUL TO
22 YOU. WE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU GOT THE RESPONSE AND SO
23 THAT'S WHY I'M PRESENTING IT TO YOU FORMALLY.

24

25 **PETER BAXTER:** I GOT IT. I GOT IT. I'M NOT...



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT MISS AUTRY WAS
3 ACCUSING US OF NEGLECTING YOU.

4

5 **PETER BAXTER:** I KNOW SHE DID. VERY NICE. I KNOW SHE DID AND
6 SHE'S A VERY DEAR PERSON AND VERY SWEET AND ALSO SHE SPEAKS,
7 APPARENTLY, FIVE LANGUAGES. I MEAN, SHE'S FLUENT IN SPANISH. I
8 HEARD HER. SHE KNOWS GERMAN, TOURIST GERMAN THAT I SPOKE AND
9 SHE KNOWS GERMAN. AND A LADY IN THE AUDIENCE HERE TODAY SAYS
10 THAT SHE SPEAKS FINE FRENCH. SO IT'S AN AMAZING ACCOMPLISHMENT
11 THAT SHE'S GOT. PLUS, SHE SPEAKS TO ME. SHE SOUNDS TO ME LIKE
12 CLASSICAL ENGLISH DICTION THE WAY SHE SPEAKS. I DON'T KNOW.
13 AND, ANYWAY, SO I THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THAT. OKAY. NOW,
14 WHEN I CAME HERE TODAY, THE FIRE CHIEF VERY KINDLY CAME OVER
15 TO ME WHERE I WAS SITTING THERE... [INTERJECTIONS]

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** COULD WE ASK THE GENTLEMEN WHO ARE COMING
18 IN, I SEE THEM ALL AS GENTLEMEN, PLEASE BE QUIET. WE HAVE
19 SOMEONE WHO IS TESTIFYING PLEASE. THANK YOU. PLEASE PROCEED,
20 MR. BAXTER.

21

22 **PETER BAXTER:** THE FIRE CHIEF CAME OVER AND I SAID TO HIM,
23 "WELL, IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO TALK TO SOMEBODY BECAUSE THERE'S
24 NO RECORD AND I'LL MAYBE GET IT MIXED UP," AND HE WAS VERY
25 GRACIOUS AND KIND TO ME AND HE TELLS ME MATERIAL WHICH IS-- HE



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1 SOUNDED AS IF HE'S USING STEAM ALREADY AND HE ACCEPTS THE
2 THEORY FINE. AND THAT'S ALL THAT I'M TALKING ABOUT, IS THE
3 THEORY. [INTERJECTIONS]

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, MR. BAXTER. COULD I ASK, ONCE
6 AGAIN, ONCE YOU COME INTO THE ROOM, COULD YOU JUST PLEASE TAKE
7 A SEAT? WE HAVE SOMEONE WHO IS TRYING REAL HARD TO ADDRESS US.

8

9 **PETER BAXTER:** OKAY. SO, I MEAN, I'M MOST GRATEFUL TO HIM BUT
10 HERE WE ARE IN THE SITUATION WHERE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
11 WITH HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO DISPOSE OF, THAT'S HIS
12 MAIN JOB AND I WOULD PREFER IF HE WOULD JUST SAY IN PUBLIC
13 WHAT HE SAID TO ME IN PRIVATE BECAUSE HE'S A CHARMER. HE
14 TOTALLY CHARMED ME. AND SO I DON'T KNOW HOW FAR THAT WILL GET,
15 BECAUSE HE SAID, "BE SURE TO CALL ME ANY TIME YOU WANT," AND
16 STUFF LIKE THAT BUT WHAT GOOD IS IT, ME BEING CHARMED? ANYWAY,
17 LET ME START MY STORY FOR TODAY.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF YOU WOULD, MR. BAXTER, PLEASE.

20

21 **PETER BAXTER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD,
22 MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND
23 I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THIS
24 AGENDA ITEM IS BASED UPON THE PRESENT METHOD OF FIGHTING FIRE.
25 THE PRESENT METHOD OF FIREFIGHTING IS UNABLE TO MEET THE



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1 DEMANDS OF HOSTILE FIRE. ON JANUARY 04 OF THIS YEAR,
2 CHAIRPERSON, THE HONORABLE GLORIA MOLINA, ASKED FIRE CHIEF P.
3 MICHAEL FREEMAN OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT
4 TO RESPOND TO MY PROPOSAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF FIGHTING
5 FIRE BY USING STEAM TO FLOOD A FIRE SITE AND THEREBY DENYING
6 THE FIRE SITE OF THE GAS OXYGEN. FIRE CHIEF FREEMAN SENT ME A
7 LETTER DATED JANUARY 18TH, 2005, IN WHICH LETTER HE STATES AS
8 FOLLOWS, I'M QUOTING CHIEF FREEMAN, "YOUR SUGGESTION TO MOUNT
9 A STEAM-GENERATING UNIT ON ONE OF OUR DEPARTMENT HELICOPTERS
10 TO BREACH THE EXTERIOR WALLS OF A HIGH-RISE STRUCTURE AND TO
11 INJECT WATER VAPOR, AS WE DISCUSSED WITH OUR AIR OPERATIONS
12 CHIEF AND HELICOPTER PILOTS, THERE ARE MANY FACTORS WHY THIS
13 WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE, SOME OF WHICH INCLUDE..." AND THAT'S
14 THE END OF THE QUOTATION THAT I'M PUTTING HERE. PLEASE NOTE,
15 I'M ASKING YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT, THAT THESE MANY FACTORS WHY
16 THIS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE, HE'S SAYING MANY FACTORS WHY WOULD
17 NOT BE POSSIBLE, THAT'S WHAT HE'S SAYING, DO NOT ADDRESS MY
18 BASIC CONTENTION AND WHICH IS THAT STEAM SHALL, IF INTRODUCED
19 TO A FIRE SITE, PUT OUT THE FIRE BY DENYING THE FIRE OXYGEN.
20 THE PRINCIPAL ISSUE IS WHETHER STEAM SHALL PUT OUT FIRE. IF I
21 HAVE THREE-- AS AN EXAMPLE, IF I HAVE THREE LIGHTED CANDLES IN
22 A BOX ON THIS TABLE AND WE INJECT STEAM INTO THAT BOX, WOULD
23 THE CANDLES BURN BRIGHTER? WOULD THEY BURN AT THE SAME RATE?
24 OR WOULD THESE CANDLES GO OUT? THAT'S MY PARTICULAR POSITION.
25 THE CANDLES ARE GOING TO GO OUT LIKE THAT AND WE HAVE NOW A



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1 NUMBER OF YEARS HAVE GONE BY SINCE THIS FIRE IN THE 9/11,
2 HUNDREDS OF FIREFIGHTERS DEAD. THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE KILLED. AND
3 WE STILL DON'T HAVE THE IDEA OF USING STEAM RECOGNIZED AND
4 ACCEPTED. NOW IF I UNDERSTOOD CHIEF THIS MORNING, HE SAYS HE
5 AGREES WITH ME BUT WHY WOULDN'T HE COME OUT HERE AND SAY SO?
6 THAT'S WHAT I'D LIKE FOR HIM TO COME OUT HERE AND DO, ALL OF
7 WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND I THANK YOU, MADAM.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER. WE APPRECIATE YOUR
10 COMMENTS. ALL RIGHT. ON ITEM NUMBER 27, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
11 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO
12 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. MS. BURKE?

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY ITEM.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES ALL OF THE
17 ITEMS-- ALL OF MS. BURKE'S ITEMS. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR
18 SPECIALS.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WAS HOLDING ITEM 34. I'D LIKE TO ASK THE
21 HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES, MR. SCHUNHOFF AND ANYBODY
22 ELSE, TO COME FORWARD.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WOULD JOIN US,
25 WE'D APPRECIATE IT. ITEM NUMBER 34.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU HAVE SOMEBODY WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD
3 FROM THE PUBLIC ON THIS ITEM?

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE DO.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD DEFER MY COMMENTS UNTIL AFTER YOU'VE
8 HEARD FROM THE PUBLIC.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE KAREN MALL, IF SHE'D
11 JOIN US, AS WELL AS MIKI JACKSON. THIS IS ON ITEM NUMBER 34.
12 MISS MALL.

13

14 **KAREN MALL:** GOOD MORNING. NICE TO SEE YOU. HAPPY NEW YEAR. I'M
15 KAREN MALL, DIRECTOR OF AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATIONS PREVENTION
16 AND TESTING PROGRAMS. I OVERSEE AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATIONS,
17 HIV, S.T.D. TESTING PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES THESE SERVICES IN
18 COMMERCIAL SECTS MEN USED THAT CATER TO GAY AND BISEXUAL MEN.
19 I'M HERE TODAY TO INFORM YOU OF THE CURRENT TESTING SITUATION
20 AS IT RELATES TO PROVIDING H.I.V., S.T.D. SCREENING IN THESE
21 VENUES. AS YOU KNOW, THERE'S AN ORDINANCE THAT WAS APPROVED BY
22 THIS BODY. IT CURRENTLY IS WITH THE CITY AND THE REGULATIONS
23 HAVE YET TO EVEN GO THROUGH THE PROCESS. I BELIEVE IT WAS YOUR
24 INTENTION TO KEEP H.I.V. S.T.D. SCREENING SERVICES CONSISTENT,
25 REGARDLESS OF THE STATUS OF THE ORDINANCE AND THE REGULATIONS.



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1 THAT IS NOT-- THAT IS NOT WHAT IS HAPPENING. A.H.F. ASKED FOR
2 A NO-COST EXTENSION, WE CURRENTLY HAVE A CONTRACT, IN ORDER TO
3 KEEP THE SERVICES RUNNING THROUGH JUNE 30TH. THAT REQUEST HAS
4 NOT BEEN APPROVED. OTHER AGENCIES UNDER THE NEW 2005 CONTRACTS
5 WHO PROVIDE TESTING TO GAY AND BISEXUAL MEN, MEN WHO HAVE SEX
6 WITH MEN, ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES IN
7 COMMERCIAL SEX VENUES OR THEY ARE AT RISK OF NOT BEING
8 REIMBURSED BY THE COUNTY, THE OFFICE OF A.I.D.S. A.H.F. IS
9 CONTINUING TO PROVIDE SERVICES ON ITS OWN DIME. THIS IS
10 CLEARLY WRONG. BASICALLY, THE OFFICE OF AIDS, THROUGH THE NEW
11 CONTRACTS, STIPULATING THAT SERVICES CANNOT BE PROVIDED IN
12 COMMERCIAL SEX VENUES AND NOT APPROVING A.H.F.'S NO COST
13 EXTENSION IS REALLY MAKING A BACK DOOR ATTEMPT TO PUSH ITS
14 AGENDA TO ENSURE THAT THE OWNERS OF THESE VENUES ARE FORCED TO
15 PAY FOR THE TESTING SERVICES. WHO ENDS UP PAYING FOR THE
16 SERVICES IS NOT A PRIMARY ISSUE AND THERE'S APPROPRIATE
17 PROCESS THAT WILL ULTIMATELY DECIDE WHO PAYS FOR THE TESTING.
18 THE PRIMARY ISSUE IS PROVIDING THE SERVICE IN THE FIRST PLACE
19 AND THE OFFICE OF AIDS IS SUPPOSED TO DO THAT. IN THIS CASE,
20 O.A.P.P. HAS COMPLETELY HALTED SERVICES AND OFFERED NO
21 ALTERNATIVE. O.A.P.P. IS COMPLETELY REMISS IN ITS DUTIES AND
22 ROLE AND YOUR INTERVENTION AT THIS TIME IS CRUCIAL. I URGE YOU
23 TO GRANT A.H.F.'S NO COST EXTENSION AND ALLOW OTHER AGENCIES
24 WHO TARGET THIS POPULATION AND PROVIDE TESTING SERVICES TO BE



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1 ALLOWED TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES IN THESE VENUES UNTIL THESE
2 OTHER ISSUES ARE RESOLVED. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MISS JACKSON.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

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10 **MIKI JACKSON:** GOOD MORNING. I WANTED TO SAY, WHO CALLED THE
11 FIRE DEPARTMENT?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** [LAUGHTER] [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE CONTINUES]

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE CONTINUES]

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE CONTINUES]

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NOW THAT YOU'VE GOTTEN THAT OUT OF YOUR
22 SYSTEM AND I APPRECIATE IT, WE DO HAVE SOMEONE WHO WISHES TO
23 TESTIFY, SO LET'S BE ATTENTIVE. CAN I ASK ALL THE PEOPLE WHO
24 ARE STANDING AGAINST THE WALL TO PLEASE JOIN US UP HERE.



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1 THERE'S PLENTY OF SEATS. WE WANT TO ACCOMMODATE YOU ALL.

2 PLEASE PROCEED, MISS JACKSON.

3

4 **MIKI JACKSON:** OKAY. I'M HERE TO ALSO TESTIFY ABOUT THE STATUS
5 OF H.I.V. TESTING IN THE COMMERCIAL SEX VENUES. IT'S VERY
6 DISTRESSING TO SEE THIS CONFLAGRATION OF EVENTS COME TOGETHER.
7 THE BOARD PASSES AN ORDINANCE TO ENSURE THE TESTING SO,
8 OBVIOUSLY, THE BOARD WANTS TO SEE TESTING IN THE COMMERCIAL
9 SEX VENUES. THEN WE HAVE THE DEPARTMENT ACTUALLY STOPPING
10 TESTING BY STOPPING ALL THE FUNDS FOR TESTING AND PREVENTING
11 PEOPLE FROM GOING IN THERE AND TESTING THUSLY. IT IS REALLY
12 IRONIC AND THE FACT THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S MANDATES ARE
13 TO GO DO THE TEST AT THE ABSOLUTE HIGHEST RISK PLACES YOU CAN.
14 AND WE'VE IDENTIFIED THESE COMMERCIAL SEX VENUES AS AMONG THE
15 HIGHEST PLACES WE COULD POSSIBLY GO TO TEST. SO THE DEPARTMENT
16 IS, IN FACT, FLYING IN THE FACE OF WHAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
17 WHO ARE-- WHO IS THE ISSUER OF THE MONEY HAS DEEMED NECESSARY.
18 THERE IS FEDERAL MONEY FOR THIS TESTING. THERE'S D.H.S. MONEY
19 AND THERE'S FEDERAL MONEY AND THERE'S C.D.C. MONEY. SO WE HAVE
20 ALL THIS MONEY FOR THIS TESTING AND THEN THE DEPARTMENT HAS
21 JUST PUT THE-- PUT A STOP TO IT AT A VERY BAD TIME AND WE HOPE
22 THAT WE CAN AGAIN BEGIN TO INTERCEDE WITH THIS EPIDEMIC.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU, MISS JACKSON. IF WE
2 COULD HAVE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES PLEASE JOIN US.
3 MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FIRST OF ALL, MR. SCHUNHOFF, COULD YOU JUST
6 RESPOND TO THE TESTIMONY YOU'VE HEARD AND ALSO SOME OF THE
7 ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED WITHIN THE LAST FEW DAYS AND,
8 ACTUALLY, LAST FEW WEEKS. MY STAFF RAISED IT WITH YOUR
9 DEPARTMENT WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN WHEN IT FIRST CAME TO MY
10 ATTENTION THAT THE TESTING PROGRAM WAS GOING TO EXPIRE. JUST,
11 FIRST, JUST RESPOND TO ALL OF THAT AND THEN I'LL HAVE SOME
12 FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS.

13

14 **MR. SCHUNHOFF:** OKAY. LET ME-- A COUPLE OF ISSUES THAT WERE
15 RAISED. THE REQUEST FROM A.H.F. FOR THE EXTENSION OF THEIR
16 CONTRACT CAME AFTER THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOARD IN DECEMBER.
17 AND, AS YOU RECALL, THE BOARD DID NOT MEET THE LAST COUPLE
18 WEEKS IN DECEMBER. THERE WAS NO OPPORTUNITY TO-- FOR US TO
19 EXTEND THAT CONTRACT, EVEN IF WE HAD WANTED TO. IN THE
20 REGULATIONS FOR THE COMMERCIAL SEX VENUES, THE DIVISION OF
21 FUNDING FOR THE TESTING IS THAT THE COMMERCIAL SEX VENUE
22 OWNERS, MANAGERS WOULD PAY FOR THE COUNSELING AND WE AGREED WE
23 WOULD PAY FOR THE LAB WORK AND WE WOULD PAY FOR THE SUPPLIES.
24 WHEN IT BECAME APPARENT THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WAS NOT GOING TO
25 ACT ON IT IN TIME AND, AT THIS POINT, IT LOOKS LIKE THE CITY



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1 COUNCIL COMMITTEE MAY BE ABLE TO CONSIDER THIS ON THE 15TH OF
2 FEBRUARY AND IT MAY BE, IF THEY APPROVE IT, BE BEFORE THE CITY
3 COUNCIL IN EARLY MARCH. THEN I WENT TO THE OWNERS AND SAID,
4 "OKAY, WE STAND READY TO IMPLEMENT IT THE WAY WE PROPOSED IT."
5 IN OTHER WORDS, "WE'VE ALLOCATED THE FUNDING FOR THE
6 LABORATORY, WE'VE ALLOCATED THE FUNDING FOR THE SUPPLIES.
7 THERE'S NO REASON YOU CAN'T GO AHEAD AND PROVIDE THE
8 COUNSELORS AND WE GET GOING WITH THIS." THAT WENT OVER LIKE
9 THE PROVERBIAL LEAD BALLOON. THEY SAID NO. AND SO IT BECAME
10 VERY CLEAR TO ME, AT THAT POINT THAT, THEY WERE GOING TO TAKE
11 ADVANTAGE OF THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD IN THE REGULATIONS TO COME
12 INTO COMPLIANCE. SO THAT MEANS THAT, IF THE CITY COUNCIL
13 APPROVES THE ORDINANCE IN MARCH, THEN SEPTEMBER WOULD BE WHEN
14 THEY HAVE TO ACTUALLY START THE TESTING THAT THEY WOULD HAVE
15 TO PAY FOR PART OF THE COUNSELING. THAT BEING THE CASE, THEN
16 WE LOOKED TO SEE WHAT WE COULD DO. AND WE PROPOSED TO PROVIDE
17 TESTING IN THE INTERIM IN TWO WAYS. ONE IS WE HAVE STAFF FROM
18 THE S.T.D. PROGRAM WHO CAN GO TO SOME OF THESE SITES
19 PERIODICALLY USING THE MOBILE VAN OR GENERALLY AND PROVIDE
20 H.I.V. TESTING AND S.T.D. TESTING. AND THE SECOND ISSUE IS
21 WE'RE GOING TO QUICKLY LOOK AT ALL THE CONTRACTS THAT WE DO
22 HAVE, THE NEW CONTRACTS, FOR THE COUNSELING AND TESTING
23 TARGETING MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN AND DETERMINE WHICH OF THE
24 COMMUNITY AGENCIES, INCLUDING A.H.F., COULD BE AMENDED,
25 AUGMENTED FOR THE INTERIM PERIOD ONLY UNTIL THE ORDINANCE AND



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1 REGULATIONS WOULD BECOME FULLY IN EFFECT SO WE COULD PROVIDE
2 THAT TESTING.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT HAPPENS IF THE CITY COUNCIL DOESN'T
5 ACT?

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7 **MR. SCHUNHOFF:** WELL, I GUESS IF THE CITY COUNCIL DOESN'T ACT,
8 WE HAVE TO GO BACK TO-- IF THEY DON'T ACT COMPLETELY, IF THEY
9 JUST DON'T-- NEVER PASS THE ORDINANCE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET'S SAY THEY NEVER PASS THE ORDINANCE.

12

13 **MR. SCHUNHOFF:** WELL, THEN WE HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE ADVICE OF
14 THE CITY ATTORNEY-- I MEAN, THE COUNTY-- I'M SORRY, THAT
15 COUNTY COUNSEL PROVIDED US ABOUT HOW WE MIGHT HAVE TO GO THIS
16 ALONE AND UTILIZE OUR ABILITY UNDER STATE LAW AND THE HEALTH
17 OFFICER POWERS TO TRY TO ENFORCE IT. THAT SEEMS A MORE
18 DIFFICULT ROUTE AND I ACTUALLY BELIEVE, FROM MY DISCUSSIONS
19 WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY AND THE CITY A.I.D.S. COORDINATOR AND
20 ALSO WITH MEMBERS OF A COUPLE OF THE COUNCIL OFFICES, THAT
21 THIS SEEMS LIKE IT'S GOING TO GO FORWARD. I CAN'T GUARANTEE
22 THAT BUT IT SEEMS LIKE IT WILL.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND IN THE INTERIM AS
25 WE AS WE SIT HERE TODAY?



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MR. SCHUNHOFF: I RECOMMEND THAT WE IMPLEMENT WHAT I JUST INDICATED, WHICH WOULD BE TWO-PRONGED INTERIM TESTING. ONE IS SOME OF OUR STAFF WILL ACTUALLY GO TO THE SITES AND DO SOME TESTING AND, SECOND IS WE WILL QUICKLY AUGMENT CONTRACTS, WE'LL BE BACK TO YOUR BOARD WITHIN A COUPLE WEEKS TO AUGMENT CONTRACTS TO CHANGE THE SCOPES OF WORK FOR SEVERAL OF THESE WHO ARE ALREADY TARGETING MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN AND SAY THAT THEY MAY GO TO THE COMMERCIAL SEX VENUES AND FIND THOSE WHO WANT TO FOR THE NEXT SIX TO NINE MONTHS, AT LEAST, UNTIL WE GET THROUGH THIS INTERIM PERIOD.

12

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ALL RIGHT. SO YOU'LL BE BACK TO US WITH A PACKAGE IN TWO WEEKS? I WAS GOING TO GIVE YOU A WEEK BUT YOU SAID TWO WEEKS.

16

MR. SCHUNHOFF: TWO WEEKS, WE CAN GET SOMETHING ON THE AGENDA, YES.

19

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ALL RIGHT. I'M NOT GOING TO INTRODUCE ANY MOTIONS OR ANYTHING. I'M JUST GOING TO TAKE YOU AT YOUR WORD THAT WE'LL BE BACK HERE IN TWO WEEKS AND, IN THE INTERIM, YOU'LL DO WHATEVER YOU CAN DO IN THOSE TWO WEEKS BEFORE YOU AUGMENT ANY OF THE CONTRACTS. I AM CONCERNED, I ALWAYS HAVE BEEN CONCERNED THAT THE CITY WOULD NOT ACT ON THIS. I'M NOT AS



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1 OPTIMISTIC AS YOU ARE. SOME PEOPLE IN THE CITY HAVE, AT THE
2 STAFF LEVEL, HAVE COMMUNICATED WITH PEOPLE AT THE STAFF LEVEL
3 OVER HERE THAT THE ORDINANCE WILL NEVER SEE THE LIGHT OF DAY
4 AND I'LL BELIEVE IT WHEN I SEE IT. AND THE FACT IS, WHEN DID
5 WE APPROVE OUR PACKAGE?

6

7 **MR. SCHUNHOFF:** IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EARLY SEPTEMBER AND IT'S NOW EARLY FEBRUARY.
10 THAT'S, LAST TIME I CHECKED, IS FOUR MONTHS.

11

12 **MR. SCHUNHOFF:** YES, ALMOST FIVE.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EVEN FOR THE CITY, THAT'S SLOW. SO THERE'S
15 NO REASON AND THERE ARE PEOPLE AT THE CITY WHO HAVE BEEN
16 MONITORING THIS LONG BEFORE IT EVER LEFT US, LONG BEFORE WE
17 EVER APPROVED IT. AND I WANT TO SAY AGAIN, I'M NOT GOING TO BE
18 SYMPATHETIC ON THIS. IF THEY DON'T ACT ON IT, YOU KNOW, IF WE
19 HAVE A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE, MR. SCHUNHOFF, POLITICS ASIDE,
20 PUBLIC HEALTH HAS TO TRUMP EVERYTHING ELSE, AND I THINK
21 EVERYBODY WHO'S INVOLVED IN THIS CIRCLE OF BUSINESS AND
22 ACTIVITY OUGHT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT MEANS, TO ME, AT LEAST,
23 THAT'S WHAT IT MEANS TO ME. AND I WOULD JUST LEAVE IT AT THAT.
24 BUT THIS IS NOT GOING TO STOP WITH A STALL AT THE CITY
25 COUNCIL. IT'S GOT-- IT'S GOT THE-- THEY'VE EITHER GOT TO FISH



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1 OR CUT BAIT. AND, IF THEY DON'T, THEN WE NEED TO-- I WOULD
2 SAY, AFTER SIX MONTHS, IF WE GET INTO MARCH, IF THE CITY
3 COUNCIL HASN'T ACTED, I THINK WE'VE GIVEN THEM MORE THAN
4 ENOUGH TIME TO ACT BECAUSE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THIS FAILURE TO
5 ACT, ON TOP OF THE LOSS OF THIS TESTING PROGRAM BECAUSE WE HAD
6 ANTICIPATED THAT, BY NOW, THIS PROGRAM, THE ORDINANCE WOULD
7 HAVE BEEN ADOPTED, HAS PUBLIC HEALTH CONSEQUENCES. AND I'M NOT
8 GOING TO REMAIN SILENT ON IT. SO JUST A WORD TO THE WISE
9 SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT. YOU CAN PASS THAT ON TO WHOMEVER YOU
10 WANT AND HAVE THEM ACCESS THE TRANSCRIPT OF THIS HEARING ON
11 THE INTERNET. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO, ON THIS ITEM, JUST SO I UNDERSTAND, IS
14 THIS ITEM TO BE CONTINUED OR WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND
15 ACCEPT THIS ITEM...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M GOING TO MOVE APPROVAL OF THIS. I WAS
18 HOLDING THIS ITEM REALLY ASSESS A VEHICLE...

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** TO ADDRESS THE OTHER ISSUES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TO ADDRESS THE OTHER ISSUES.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, THIS
25 ITEM IS MOVED FORWARD BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY



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1 SUPERVISOR BURKE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON ITEM
2 NUMBER 34. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER SPECIALS THAT YOU HAVE?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S IT FOR ME.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ANTONOVICH.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME FIRST MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN
9 MEMORY OF JOSE NEMER AND JOSEFINA CASTILLO, WHO WERE
10 TRAGICALLY KILLED TWO NIGHTS AGO. JOSE IS THE FATHER OF MY
11 DEPUTY, SUSIE NEMER, WHO ALSO HANDLES THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND
12 THEY WERE TRAGICALLY KILLED. THEY ARE-- WERE REFUGEES FROM
13 CUBA WHO SUFFERED AT THE HANDS, PERSONALLY SUFFERED AT THE
14 HANDS OF CASTRO'S COMMUNIST TYRANNY, AND CAME HERE AND STARTED
15 LITERALLY FROM SCRATCH TO BECOME A VERY SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN
16 AND COMMUNITY LEADER. THEY WERE KILLED IN A TRAGIC AUTOMOBILE
17 ACCIDENT ON THE 210 FREEWAY TWO NIGHTS AGO, TWO DAYS AGO. ALSO
18 IN MEMORY OF PHILLIP CASTILLANOS, WHO IS THE BROTHER OF MY
19 STAFF ASSISTANT, LUPE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 58 THIS
20 PAST WEEK. AND HE LEAVES WIFE AND FIVE SONS AND 11 SIBLINGS.
21 AND SUSIE'S FATHER LEAVES SUSIE AND HER SISTER, CARMEN, AND
22 HER MOTHER, WHO WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN THE ACCIDENT BUT
23 SURVIVED. ALSO IN MEMORY OF JUDGE RAYMOND CHOATE, A WELL-
24 RESPECTED RETIRED SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE. HE WAS A DEATH PENALTY
25 EXPERT AND HE SERVED IN THE CHARLES MANSON MURDER TRIAL.



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1 BEFORE SERVING AS A CRIMINAL SUPERVISING JUDGE, HE APPOINTED
2 THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN GRAND JURY FOREMAN FOR THE LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY. HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE SUPERIOR COURT BY THEN
4 GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN AND SERVED 20 YEARS ON THE BENCH.
5 GERALD BRIGGS, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE BOB HOPE AIRPORT
6 AUTHORITY, THAT'S THE BURBANK, PASADENA, GLENDALE AIRPORT FOR
7 MORE THAN SEVEN YEARS. HE REPRESENTED THE CITY OF GLENDALE ON
8 THAT AUTHORITY, QUITE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY AND ALSO
9 SERVED ON THE CORPORATE BOARDS OF ALTERRA WATER COMPANY AND
10 ASIAN WATSON BEVERAGES IN HONG KONG. ROBERT LEE HAYES, WHO WAS
11 A EDUCATOR AS A MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHER AND BOY SCOUT
12 LEADER, ACTIVE IN THE CHATSWORTH COMMUNITY AND HE WAS THE
13 CHATSWORTH MAN OF THE YEAR IN 1995 AND ALSO IS NAMED MIDDLE
14 SCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR. PETAR RADIELOVICK, WHO WAS QUITE
15 ACTIVE IN THE LOS ANGELES CROATIAN- AMERICAN COMMUNITY, HE WAS
16 A DIRECTOR AND SPEAKER OF THE CROATIAN RADIO PROGRAM FOR 15
17 YEARS. HE PUBLISHED MANY BOOKS AND HIS DAUGHTER WAS CHIEF OF
18 STAFF TO SENATOR ROBERT DOLE AND HIS ASSISTANT DEPUTY
19 SECRETARY OF DEFENSE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, DONALD
20 RUMSFELD. JOSEPH REID, WHO PASSED AWAY. AND BARRY STUBBLEFIELD
21 FROM THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. HE WORKED AT PRICE-WATERHOUSE
22 AND HE STARTED HIS OWN LIGHTING COMPANY SERVICING THE
23 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. AND, AS WE MENTIONED THE VICTIMS OF
24 THE TRAIN TRAGEDY, OUR OWN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF, JAMES
25 TUTINO. ELIZABETH HILL, WHO WORKED FOR THE CITY OF GLENDALE,



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1 SHE WAS IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT, SHE WAS GOING TO RETIRE IN
2 JUNE, WAS ONE OF THE VICTIMS. THOMAS ORMISTON, WHO WAS THE
3 CONDUCTOR ON THE TRAIN, LIVED IN, THEREABOUTS IN GLENDALE FOR
4 A NUMBER OF YEARS. HENRY KILINSKI, WHO WAS WITH THE LOS
5 ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THEN GOT A JOB IN THE INSURANCE
6 INDUSTRY IN BURBANK, WHERE HE COMMUTED DAILY FROM ORANGE
7 COUNTY. MANUEL ALCALA, WHO WAS AN EMPLOYEE WITH THE SHERIFF'S
8 DEPARTMENT. HE HAD LOST MORE THAN A HUNDRED POUNDS, ENROLLED
9 IN COLLEGE, WAS TRAINING TO BE A LOCKSMITH, AND-- BUT STARTED
10 TAKING METROLINK TO WORK BECAUSE HE SIGNED UP FOR A COURSE ON
11 WEDNESDAY NIGHTS. JULIA BENNETT, WHO ALSO WORKED FOR THE LOS
12 ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT AS A TYPIST FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S FIRE
13 PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY BUREAU DOWNTOWN. ALPHONSO
14 CABALLERO, WHO HAD LEFT THE PHILIPPINES 15 YEARS AGO. HE WAS
15 AN ACCOUNTANT FOR LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF AGING. SCOTT
16 MCKEOWN, WHO WAS FOR THE CITY OF PASADENA, HE WAS THEIR
17 TELECOMMUNICATIONS MANAGER FOR THE CITY, WELL RESPECTED. AND
18 WILLIAM PARENT, WHO WAS AN EMPLOYEE WITH THE LOS ANGELES
19 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. AND LEONARD ROMERO, WHO WAS A FORMER
20 MARINE. AND DON WILEY, WHO WAS AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
21 SPECIALIST AT PAY POINT, WHICH DEVELOPS THE ELECTRONIC PAYMENT
22 SYSTEMS FOR BUSINESSES AND WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN THE UNITED
23 METHODIST CHURCH IN SIMI VALLEY. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS,
24 MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED ON THOSE
2 ADJOURNMENTS.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE MR. ANTONOVICH PROCEEDS,
5 I HAD ONE ADJOURNING MOTION THAT I FAILED-- I JUST WOULD LIKE
6 TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ROBERT DWAN, WHO WAS
7 THE LONG TIME DIRECTOR OF THE LEGENDARY GROUCHO MARX "YOU BET
8 YOUR LIFE" PROGRAM ON RADIO AND TELEVISION. HE WAS A RESPECTED
9 COMEDY WRITER AND A UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR WHO PASSED AWAY LAST
10 WEEK AT THE AGE OF 89. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LOIS, THREE
11 SONS, ALAN, ROB, AND JAMES, TWO DAUGHTERS, JUDY HALLET AND
12 KATIE HUET AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF SANTA
13 MONICA.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IF WE COULD HAVE DON WOLFE FROM PUBLIC
16 WORKS.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. WOLFE, IF YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHILE HE'S COMING UP, MR. JANSSEN AND,
21 VIOLET, THE ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION THAT WE HAVE BEEN PRESENTED,
22 WHICH WE HAVE TO BE INFORMED EACH YEAR NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY
23 7TH, PERHAPS WE COULD ASK MR. JANSSEN THE TIME FRAME OF
24 RESOLVING THIS ISSUE WITHIN THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION. HE'S
25 COMING UP. MR. WOLFE, CAN YOU GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THE ISSUE



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1 OF THE REPAIR OF THE ROADS IN SAN FRANCISQUITO AND THE OTHER
2 ROADS THAT HAVE BEEN DESTROYED BY THE RECENT STORMS WE HAD AND
3 WHAT WE HAVE TO DO RELATIVE TO ANY ACTIONS WITH THE STATE AND
4 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST YOU IN GETTING THOSE ROADS
5 REBUILT.

6

7 **DON WOLFE:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU. MY NAME IS DON WOLFE,
8 INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE TOTAL DAMAGE TO PUBLIC
9 INFRASTRUCTURE COUNTYWIDE STILL STANDS AT THE \$120 MILLION I
10 REPORTED LAST WEEK AS WELL AS OUR DEPARTMENT'S INFRASTRUCTURE
11 DAMAGES STAND AT 45 MILLION AND THE MOST IMPORTANT IS THE \$36
12 MILLION IN ROAD DAMAGES. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 39 ROAD CLOSURES,
13 16 OF THOSE ARE TOTAL AND 23 ARE ROADS THAT ARE CLOSED TO
14 EVERYBODY EXCEPT THE RESIDENTS AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES. SEVERAL
15 OF THOSE ROADS ARE KEY TO THE COUNTY'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.
16 IN PARTICULAR, SUPERVISOR, SAN FRANCISQUITO CANYON, BOUQUET
17 CANYON AND HUGHES-- LAKE HUGHES ROAD. WE STILL HAVE A LONG--
18 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE LONG-TERM CLOSURES ON SAN FRANCISQUITO AND
19 BOUQUET CANYON. WE'RE WORKING OUT THERE FULL TIME BUT IT LOOKS
20 LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE SEVERAL MONTHS FOR THOSE TWO ROADS. THE
21 GOOD NEWS IS THAT IT APPEARS THAT LAKE HUGHES ROAD WILL BE
22 OPEN BY THE END OF THIS MONTH AND WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO GET IT
23 SOONER BUT THAT'S OUR-- OUR TARGET TO GET THAT OPEN BECAUSE
24 THAT'S A VERY IMPORTANT ROUTE THERE. AS WITH RESPECT TO A
25 COUPLE OF OTHER AREAS OF INTEREST, OBVIOUSLY, THE STATE



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1 HIGHWAY SYSTEM HAS A PROBLEM. TOPANGA CANYON, WE'VE GOTTEN
2 SOME GOOD NEWS FROM THE STATE ON THAT. THEY ARE BASICALLY
3 HAVING IT OPEN TO TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS, BOTH MORNING AND
4 EVENING HOURS, AND THEY'LL HAVE FLAGMEN OUT THERE AT THE AREA
5 WHERE IT'S NARROWED DOWN TO ONE LANE TO ASSURE TRAFFIC SAFETY.
6 AND THEY'RE PROJECTING-- AND I'M NOT GOING TO TRY TO GIVE A
7 DATE BECAUSE I'LL GET IN TROUBLE, BUT THEY'RE PROJECTING THAT
8 THEY'RE GOING TO GET THAT ROAD WILL BE REPAIRED IN WHAT WE
9 THINK IS A REALLY GOOD TIME FRAME, SO CALTRANS IS WORKING
10 HARD. I-5 HAS BEEN OPEN THREE LANES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS BUT IT
11 IS A PRECARIOUS SITUATION, ACCORDING TO OUR REPORTS FROM
12 CALTRANS AND SO THEY'RE MONITORING THAT CONSTANTLY BECAUSE
13 THERE COULD BE OTHER MAJOR MOVEMENT OF THE LANDSLIDE THAT'S
14 AFFECTING THE I-5 JUST ABOVE THE CASTAIC AREA. WITH RESPECT TO
15 FUNDING FROM STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, WE HAVE ONE PIECE
16 OF GOOD NEWS. SO FAR-- THE BAD NEWS IS SO FAR F.E.M.A. HASN'T
17 MADE A DECLARATION, SO THERE'S NO MONEY FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
18 FROM THEM BUT THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION-- EXCUSE ME,
19 SUPERVISOR?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY, THEIR THRESHOLD BUT
22 IF F.H.A. IS GOING TO BE DOING IT...

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24 **DON WOLFE:** THERE ARE SEVERAL THRESHOLDS AND THERE'S A MONETARY
25 THRESHOLD AND WE'VE FAR EXCEEDED THAT BUT THERE ARE SEVERAL



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1 OTHER THINGS THAT F.E.M.A. CONSIDERS IN DETERMINING WHETHER OR
2 NOT THEY'LL DECLARE A FEDERAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND PROVIDE
3 FUNDING. AND, AT THIS POINT, I'VE GOT TO BE FRANK, AND MY
4 STAFF IS DEALING WITH THEM VERY CLOSELY, WE'RE NOT GETTING A
5 WARM FUZZY FEELING FROM F.E.M.A. THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY
6 ADMINISTRATION HAS INFORMED US IN THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS THAT
7 THEY WILL MAKE \$10 MILLION AVAILABLE TO THIS-- TO US. WE DON'T
8 HAVE THAT IN WRITING YET BUT IT'S OUR FIRM UNDERSTANDING THAT
9 THE F.H.A. IS GOING TO COME FORWARD WITH \$10 MILLION FOR THE
10 PURPOSE OF EMERGENCY ROAD OPENINGS IN THE COUNTY'S SECONDARY
11 AND PRIMARY HIGHWAY SYSTEM.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DOES THAT DISTRACT FROM OUR THRESHOLD? THAT
14 \$10 MILLION?

15

16 **DON WOLFE:** NO SIR. NO, SUPERVISOR, IT WOULDN'T SUBTRACT FROM
17 THE THRESHOLD BUT WE'RE WAY OVER THE MINIMUM THRESHOLD WHICH,
18 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IS A LITTLE LESS THAN \$10
19 MILLION, SO, OBVIOUSLY, WE'RE WELL OVER THAT IN TOTAL DAMAGE.
20 SO THAT'S REALLY ALL THE CURRENT NEWS THAT WE HAVE TO DATE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO NEXT TO ASSIST YOU?

23

24 **DON WOLFE:** WELL, I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOUR BOARD CAN DO TO ASSIST
25 US. WE'RE DOING THE BEST WE CAN OR THINK WE'RE DOING AN



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1 EXCELLENT JOB OF TRYING TO GET THE ROADS OPEN. IT'S REALLY A
2 QUESTION OF MONEY AND GETTING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO
3 DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY SO WE CAN HAVE FEDERAL FUNDING
4 AVAILABLE AND THE STATE, IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT THEY'RE GOING
5 TO MAKE ANY CASH AVAILABLE WITH RESPECT TO THEIR DECLARATION
6 OF EMERGENCY.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THE TOAD OR THE FROG GOING TO IMPACT YOUR
9 ABILITY TO REPAIR THE ROADS?

10

11 **DON WOLFE:** AT THIS TIME, NO, SUPERVISOR, AND WE WILL LET YOUR
12 BOARD KNOW IMMEDIATELY IF WE'RE HAVING-- RUNNING INTO WHAT WE
13 THINK ARE UNREASONABLE DIFFICULTIES WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL
14 COMMUNITY. WE'RE-- OPERATING IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY AS WE NOW
15 ARE, WE GET PRETTY GOOD COOPERATION FROM THE AGENCIES. WHERE
16 WE'LL RUN INTO PROBLEMS IS IN THE LONG-TERM REPAIRS AND FIXES
17 THAT DON'T REALLY CONSTITUTE AN IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY. BUT WE
18 TRY VERY HARD TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THOSE AGENCIES AND WE WILL
19 LET YOU KNOW IF THERE IS A UNREASONABLE DIFFICULTY.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST IS THAT THE, IF WE HAVE
22 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, IS THAT THE BOARD SEND A FIVE SIGNATURE
23 LETTER TO F.E.M.A. AND TO THE L.A. COUNTY DELEGATION AND THE
24 PRESIDENT ASKING THAT THIS BE DECLARED AN EMERGENCY DISASTER
25 BECAUSE OF THE-- WE HAVE REACHED THE-- EXCEEDED THE THRESHOLD



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1 THAT HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED AS TO DAMAGE AND THE IMPACT THAT
2 IT'S HAVING ON THE 10 MILLION CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY IN
3 CREATING ADDITIONAL CONGESTION TO AN ALREADY OVEREXTENDED
4 FREEWAY AND HIGHWAY ROADWAY NETWORK. SO IF WE COULD DO THAT,
5 MADAM CHAIR. LETTER TO F.E.M.A., THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION,
6 AND THE PRESIDENT RELATIVE TO DECLARING THIS A DISASTER SO WE
7 CAN ACCESS FEDERAL MONEY FOR OUR ROADS.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT WAS ALREADY-- THAT WAS NOT
10 ALREADY DONE? I THOUGHT IT WAS.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IT WAS REQUESTED LAST WEEK AND THE C.A.O.
13 IS DRAFTING THE LETTER.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE'S STILL DRAFTING THE LETTER?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I HAVE NO IDEA.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, COULD THEY DRAFT THEM A LITTLE BIT
22 QUICKER?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MISS HARPER?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BE LIKE NEGOTIATIONS. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY. I KNOW YOU WERE BUSY IN
4 CONVERSATION THERE BUT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAD REQUESTED THE
5 LETTER BE DRAFTED BE SENT TO F.E.M.A. I THOUGHT WE'D WANT TO
6 KNOW THE STATUS OF IT.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE L.A. COUNTY CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION
9 AND THE-- OUR TWO STATES, U.S. SENATORS, ALONG WITH THE
10 PRESIDENT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE STATUS, HOPEFULLY
13 THAT THEY CAN MOVE THAT FORWARD QUICKLY.

14

15 **MISS HARPER:** YES, WE WILL.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN ITEM 58.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM NUMBER 58.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S THE HEALTH SURVEY. WHO IS GOING TO
24 REPORT ON THAT? DR. FIELDING? THIS IS A REPORT THAT I HAD
25 REQUESTED AND SO I APPRECIATE, THE REPORT WAS VERY HELPFUL. I



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1 KNOW I DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS BECAUSE IT ANSWERED A LOT OF
2 THE QUESTIONS I HAD AS TO HOW IT'S UTILIZED AND HOW IT'S
3 IMPLEMENTED EACH YEAR. SO I DON'T KNOW IF OTHER MEMBERS, OR IF
4 YOU WISH TO MAKE A REPORT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SOME OF THE AREAS THAT YOU HAD GONE INTO
7 RELATIVE TO ACCESSING AND IMPROVING OUR ABILITIES, ONE, THAT
8 YOU HAVE ONE ON THE PREVENTION OF OBESITY IN L.A. COUNTY AND I
9 KNOW THAT, IN THE LAST TWO OR THREE WEEKS, THERE'S BEEN A
10 GREAT DEAL OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND PARTICIPATION FROM VARIOUS
11 AGENCIES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES ON THIS ISSUE. WHAT ARE WE
12 DOING? WHAT CAN WE DO MORE OF TO ASSIST YOU IN MEETING THESE
13 GOALS?

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THE BOARD MADE A
16 NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO FOLLOW UP ON.
17 THIS IS AN AREA THAT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND WE HAVE NOT
18 COLLECTIVELY DONE ENOUGH. IT TAKES LOOKING AT POLICIES AT THE
19 LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL AS WELL AS PROGRAMS. SOME
20 THINGS HAVE TO BE DONE CLINICALLY. WE'RE WORKING ON IT BUT WE
21 HAVE VERY LIMITED STAFF. WE ARE WORKING WITH OTHER
22 ORGANIZATIONS AND THE L.A. SURVEY HAS HELPED SOME
23 ORGANIZATIONS IN A NUMBER OF PARTS OF THE COUNTY TO GET GRANTS
24 TO WORK ON THIS ISSUE, INCLUDING TWO LARGE GRANTS FROM THE
25 MCKEK FOUNDATION. BUT THIS NEEDS HIGH LEVEL CONTINUED EFFORT



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1 TO DEAL WITH THIS ISSUE BECAUSE IT IS THE SINGLE LARGEST
2 GROWING EPIDEMIC IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH IMPACTS OUR HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM.

5

6 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** ABSOLUTELY. IT LEADS TO INCREASED RATES
7 OF DIABETES, HEART DISEASE, STROKES AND OTHER PROBLEMS.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ISSUE OF FOODS IN THE PUBLIC AND
10 PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS, DO YOU ADVISE THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS RELATIVE
11 TO VENUES? RELATIVE TO THE JUNK FOODS AND HEALTHY TYPE OF DIET
12 THAT THEY OUGHT TO BE PROVIDING?

13

14 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** AS A RESULT OF THIS SURVEY, WE WORKED
15 WITH MARLENE CANTER AND WITH THE LAUSD BOARD AND I THINK THIS
16 INFORMATION, IN TERMS OF WHAT CHILDREN WERE EATING, WAS ONE OF
17 THE REASONS THEY DECIDED TO CHANGE THE FOOD IN THE VENDING
18 MACHINES AND WE HELPED THEM DRAFT THAT AND WE'VE TALKED TO
19 L.A.C.O.E. AND TALKED TO OTHER PARTS OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY,
20 OTHER DISTRICTS, AS WELL, THIS IS A CONTINUING ISSUE. IN
21 ADDITION, LAUSD HAS PASSED CHANGING THE COMPOSITION OF THE
22 FOOD THAT'S SERVED TO STUDENTS. THAT'S GOING TO TAKE SOME TIME
23 TO IMPLEMENT IT AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THEM AND TRYING TO
24 HELP THEM.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THESE STUDIES THAT YOU'VE DONE, DOCTOR,
2 RELATIVE TO 1997, 1999, AND 2002, WHAT HAS NOT BEEN
3 IMPLEMENTED? COULD YOU GIVE US A LISTING OF THOSE? EITHER
4 TODAY OR GIVE US A FOLLOW-UP REPORT? WHAT HAS NOT BEEN
5 IMPLEMENTED AND WHAT OBSTACLES HAVE PREVENTED YOU FROM
6 IMPLEMENTING THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS.

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** SUPERVISOR, THERE ARE LITERALLY
9 THOUSANDS OF RECOMMENDATIONS THAT COME OUT OF THIS BECAUSE
10 THEY'RE NOT JUST USED BY US, THEY ARE USED BY COMMUNITY
11 ORGANIZATIONS, BY NONPROFITS, BY OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES. FOR
12 EXAMPLE-- AND THE DATA IN HERE, FOR EXAMPLE, WAS USED IN THE
13 COUNTY'S OWN REPORT ON PROGRESS IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE DOING
14 WITH HEALTH. IT WAS ALSO USED PROMINENTLY IN THE CHILDREN'S
15 SCORE CARD. SO I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY WAY TO LIST BECAUSE
16 THIS IS USED FOR DATA TO HELP FORM RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE
17 DONE-- THAT ARE PROVIDED BY MANY DIFFERENT AGENCIES. BUT THERE
18 ARE A COUPLE OF IMPORTANT EXAMPLES, YOU'VE TOUCHED ON ONE, OUR
19 LACK OF PROGRESS IN TERMS OF REDUCING OBESITY. A SECOND WOULD
20 BE A LACK OF PROGRESS IN IMPROVING THE INSURANCE RATES AMONG
21 ADULTS. WE'VE MADE GREAT PROGRESS IN CHILDREN AND THIS REPORT
22 HELPED, FIRST FIVE L.A. TO DECIDE TO HELP PROVIDE INSURANCE
23 FOR THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE INSURANCE FROM ZERO TO FIVE BUT WE
24 HAVE MADE NO PROGRESS. IN FACT, THE EVIDENCE SAYS WE'RE GOING
25 IN THE WRONG DIRECTION WITH RESPECT TO ADULTS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THERE A WAY OF ESTABLISHING A PROCESS THAT
3 TRACKS THOSE SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS?

4

5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** BECAUSE THEY'RE MADE BY SO MANY
6 DIFFERENT AGENCIES, SUPERVISOR, WE DON'T EVEN KNOW ALL THE
7 AGENCIES, BECAUSE IT'S ON THE WEBSITE, AND HOW ALL THESE
8 COMMUNITY AGENCIES USE IT TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THEIR
9 GOVERNING BODIES AND LOCAL BOARDS WOULD BE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE,
10 I'M AFRAID.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW ABOUT UNDER GENERIC TITLES. FOR EXAMPLE,
13 SCHOOL NUTRITION?

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE CAN PROVIDE AND, IN FACT, HAVE
16 PROVIDED 10 DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF THE KINDS OF
17 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE MAKE, BASED ON THIS, AND GIVEN
18 SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF THOSE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. I KNOW AT ONE TIME WE WERE-- THE COUNTY
21 PROVIDES A DISINCENTIVE FOR THE PEOPLE THAT SMOKE BY CHARGING,
22 WHAT WAS IT, \$5, \$10 MORE FOR THEIR HEALTH PREMIUMS A MONTH
23 AND WE'RE PERHAPS LOOKING AT SOME INCENTIVES AND DISINCENTIVES
24 TO ENSURE THAT THE PEOPLE ARE BASICALLY GETTING IN SHAPE AND
25 STAYING IN SHAPE, WHICH PROVIDES A BETTER OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM



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1 TO SERVE IN THEIR JOB AND ALSO TO REDUCE OUR HEALTH PREMIUMS--
2 COSTS TO THE TAXPAYER AND TO THE EMPLOYEE AS WELL.

3

4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT EFFECTIVE
5 WORKSITE HEALTH PROMOTION PROGRAMS CAN REDUCE THE RATE OF
6 INCREASE OF HEALTHCARE COSTS FOR EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES
7 ALIKE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THOSE ARE MY QUESTIONS, MADAM CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. ANY OTHER QUESTION OR
12 COMMENT? IF NOT, THAT IS THE REPORT, SO WE WILL RECEIVE AND
13 FILE THE REPORT-- OH, I'M SORRY. DR. CLAVREUL WANTED TO
14 ADDRESS THIS ITEM. I APOLOGIZE.

15

16 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** LET ME JUST ADD THAT THIS HAS BEEN DONE
17 AT NO NET COUNTY COST.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S RIGHT. THESE ARE GRANTS THAT ARE
20 RECEIVED FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?
21 SHE'S NOT HERE? ALL RIGHT. THEN IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, WE
22 WILL RECEIVE AND FILE. ON MY ADJOURNMENTS, I'D LIKE TO ASK
23 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JESSICA GOVEA, WHO RECENTLY
24 PASSED AWAY THIS PAST WEEKEND. JESSICA WAS A LONG-TIME
25 POLITICAL ACTIVIST WHO WAS INVOLVED IN VARIOUS EMPOWERMENT



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1 CAMPAIGNS THAT SHE HAD THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. I TRAVELED WITH
2 HER TO SOUTH AMERICA AS PART OF A WOMAN'S-- TO CENTRAL AMERICA
3 AS PART OF A WOMAN'S DELEGATION. SHE, LIKE SO MANY WOMEN, ARE
4 LOSING THEIR LIVES TO BREAST CANCER. SO WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
5 DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HER FRIENDS AND FAMILY. I'D ALSO ASK
6 THAT WE ADJOURN-- THESE ARE ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR KNABE--
7 THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF JULIA BENNETT. JULIA
8 BENNETT WAS 44 YEARS OLD. SHE WAS ONE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE
9 METROLINK TRAIN CRASH. SHE WORKED AS A SECRETARY FOR THE LOS
10 ANGELES CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT. SHE HAD A FIERCE DEDICATION TO
11 HER JOB AND WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY, FRIENDS AND CO-
12 WORKERS. MISS BENNETT IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, PAUL,
13 DAUGHTER, LINDSEY, AND STEPDAUGHTER, BRITNEY. WE WANT TO
14 EXTEND OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY. ALSO WE'D LIKE
15 TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DR. MERILL H. BOYCE. HE PRACTICED
16 MEDICINE IN RAMADA BEACH FOR OVER 47 YEARS. HE HELPED FOUND
17 THE BAY HARBOR HOSPITAL IN LOMITA WHERE HE SERVED AS THE CHIEF
18 OF STAFF ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. DR. BOYCE HAD NUMEROUS
19 HOBBIES AND WAS ACTIVE IN THE SOUTH BAY REPUBLICAN POLITICS AS
20 WELL AS A MEMBER OF THE REPUBLIC OF STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.
21 HE'S GOING TO BE MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. I'D LIKE TO
22 ALSO ADJOURN ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR KNABE IN THE MEMORY OF
23 LUTHER L. W. "BILL" BUSBY, JR., WHO WAS A DENTIST. HE WAS ONE
24 OF REDONDO BEACH'S FIRST DENTISTS AND WAS A LONG-TIME TRUSTEE
25 ON BOTH THE MANHATTAN BEACH AND SOUTH BAY UNIFIED SCHOOL



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1 DISTRICT SERVING FROM 1948 TO 1977. HE ATTENDED U.S.C. AND WAS
2 A FOOTBALL PLAYER. HE FOUNDED THE SOUTH BAY TROJAN CLUB AND
3 WAS A LONG-TIME ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE KING HARBOR YACHT CLUB.
4 HE IS THE FIRST PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
5 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CENTER. ALSO THAT WE
6 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY TODAY OF DENNIS CALLAHAN. MR. CALLAHAN
7 WAS A LIFETIME RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. HE WAS A MEMBER OF
8 THE PEACE CORPS AND WORKED FOR THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AS
9 A REGIONAL OFFICER FROM 1974 UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT IN 2002.
10 HE'S GOING TO BE REMEMBERED AS A KIND AND CARING INDIVIDUAL BY
11 HIS FRIENDS AND FAMILY. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
12 TODAY OF MR. LUIGI RAFFAELE STAMEGNA. HE WAS BORN IN ITALY IN
13 THE TOWN OF ITRI, WHERE HE WORKED AS A MUNICIPAL WATER
14 DISTRICT OFFICIAL. HE SERVED IN THE ITALIAN ARMY AND, IN 1970,
15 AND MOVED TO SOUTH BAY. HE ENJOYED OPERAS, CLASSICAL MUSIC AND
16 GARDENING. HE'S ALSO GOING TO BE MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND
17 FRIENDS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN THE
18 MEMORY OF JACQUELYN WATERS. JACQUELYN WATERS IS THE WIFE OF
19 M.T.A. INSPECTOR GENERAL WILLIAM WATERS. SHE PASSED AWAY ON
20 JANUARY THE 24TH AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE WAS 57
21 YEARS OLD. SHE'S A RESIDENT OF SIMI VALLEY. SHE WORKED FOR THE
22 STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR 10 YEARS, THE SIMI VALLEY
23 HOSPITAL IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM FOR OVER EIGHT YEARS. SHE WAS A
24 DEVOTED WIFE, MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER AND GODMOTHER. SO WE ASK ON
25 BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR KNABE AND ALL OF US THAT WE ADJOURN IN



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1 HER MEMORY. SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. ALL RIGHT. OUR
2 NEXT ITEM IS PUBLIC COMMENT. IS THAT CORRECT? ALL RIGHT. IF I
3 CAN HAVE DAVE GILLOTTI TO JOIN US, PLEASE. JOHN REESE. [
4 ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERS AND APPLAUSE FOR A LONG TIME]

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, WE'RE GOING TO END
7 THE APPLAUSE. RIGHT, DAVE? COULD WE ALSO HAVE JOHN REESE JOIN
8 US, PLEASE? MR. REESE, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE'VE ALSO HAD A
9 REQUEST FROM STEVE REMIGE TO PLEASE JOIN US AS WELL AT THE
10 SAME TIME. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE CONTINUES]

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GENTLEMEN.

15

16 **DAVE GILOTTI:** GOOD MORNING. AS LUCK WOULD HAVE IT, THE LAST
17 THREE TIMES I'VE COME HERE, I HAVEN'T HAD A VOICE BECAUSE I'VE
18 WORKED THE NIGHT BEFORE, AND, AGAIN, HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.
19 BUT MADAM MAYOR, HONORABLE BOARD, FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO LET
20 YOU KNOW THAT I KNOW WE CAN HAVE A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
21 MEETING THAT ENDS BEFORE LUNCH, SO I'M GOING TO PUT THAT ON
22 THE RECORD BOOKS. IT IS AMAZING. I'LL BE BRIEF AND I DIDN'T
23 COME HERE TO MAKE A LOT OF NOISE. MY NAME IS DAVE GILOTTI. FOR
24 THE RECORD, I'M PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS,
25 LOCAL 1014. I'M ALSO A LINE FIREFIGHTER OF NEARLY 17-1/2



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1 YEARS. I WORKED AT FIRE STATION 164 IN HUNTINGTON PARK, SANTA
2 FE AND SLAUSON. BUSY HOUSE. I'M HERE WITH NEARLY 650 OF THE
3 L.A. COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS TO JUST PUT A FACE, TO PUT A FACE AND
4 BRING SOME FAMILY MEMBERS DOWN HERE TO LET YOU KNOW WHO WE'RE
5 DEALING WITH WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE CONTRACT
6 NEGOTIATIONS. THESE ARE REAL PEOPLE, REAL FAMILIES, REAL
7 ISSUES. I'M NOT HERE TO SURFACE BARGAIN. I'M NOT HERE TO TRY
8 THINGS IN THE MEDIA OR EVEN BARGAIN WITH YOU AT THE TABLE
9 HERE. I'M HERE TO SIMPLY ASK YOU THAT, AS YOU GO INTO CLOSED
10 SESSION, TO PLEASE WORK HARD TO GRANT THE FULL AUTHORITY FOR
11 YOUR BARGAINING TEAMS TO HAVE THE LATITUDE TO GET IN AND CLOSE
12 THE GAP BETWEEN THE GROUPS. I THINK THAT, IF YOU EXAMINE
13 EVERYTHING DOWN THERE AT THE TABLE, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
14 WHERE WE'RE AT AND THE COUNTY, IS THAT CAN BE CLOSED IF WE PUT
15 OUR MINDS TO IT. AND I THINK 2-1/2 YEARS IS ENOUGH TIME TO
16 DELIBERATE, AND I THINK, IF WE COMMIT TO IT, AND WE NEED TO
17 COMMIT TO CLOSING THAT GAP OURSELVES AS WELL AND WE DO. AND
18 STARTING TOMORROW, I HOPE WE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO DO THAT AND
19 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WORK HARD TO GET THE TERMS TO BE
20 ACCEPTABLE TO EVERYBODY. BUT WE CAN DO THAT, WE CAN ALL DO
21 THAT IF WE COMMIT TO IT. THE FRAMEWORK IS THERE FOR A FINISH.
22 WE'VE BEEN WITH YOU FOR THE LAST 2-1/2 YEARS TAKING THE HIGH
23 ROAD. WE'VE WORKED WITH YOU ON PROP 1-A, WE'VE WORKED WITH YOU
24 ON LEGISLATIVE ITEMS, WE WORKED WITH YOU ON PROPOSITION E. WE
25 WANT TO BE THAT PARTNER WITH YOU. WE DON'T WANT THAT TO END.



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1 WE DO BETTER THINGS IN THIS COUNTY IF WE WORK TOGETHER AND
2 WE'RE GETTING TO THE POINT NOW WHERE THE MORALE IS DOWN IN THE
3 TANK, THE PEOPLE ARE TIRED OF THE PROCESS AND WE NEED TO
4 FINISH. I THINK EVERYBODY REALIZES THAT. SO LET'S COMMIT TO
5 DOING THAT. WE'RE HONORABLE, WE'VE TAKEN THE HIGH ROAD, WE'RE
6 DEDICATED TO SERVE THE PUBLIC TO THE HIGHEST LEVEL POSSIBLE,
7 WE'LL CONTINUE THAT THROUGH ALL OF THIS PROCESS. WE ARE
8 DESERVING OF YOUR ATTENTION AND ALL I ASK IS SOMETHING VERY
9 SIMPLY THAT YOU PLEASE DELIBERATE WITH WISDOM AND WITH HEART
10 AS YOU LOOK OUT INTO THIS ROOM. IT'S TIME TO GET IT DONE.
11 THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. GILOTTI, THAT'S WORTHWHILE
14 ADVICE. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GENTLEMEN? GENTLEMEN? [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE
17 CONTINUES] [ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

18

19 **DAVE GILOTTI:** IT'S THE THING CALLED BROTHERHOOD.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THE ADVICE, MR. GILOTTI.
22 THAT IS THE LAST OF IT, AGAIN, I HOPE. MR. REESE, PLEASE.
23 (BOOING)

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT IS THE SAME ADVICE TO EVERYONE WHO
2 JOINS US. PLEASE, ALLOW EACH OF THE SPEAKERS TO SPEAK. MR.
3 REECE.

4
5 **JOHN REESE:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
6 BOARD. I'M JOHN REECE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ASSOCIATION
7 FOR LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFFS, AND I APPEAR HERE TODAY IN
8 SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT GILOTTI AND FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 1014 AND
9 THE COMBINED ASSEMBLAGE OF THOSE FIREFIGHTERS THAT TOOK TIME
10 OFF TO COME DOWN AND VISIT YOU TODAY AS WELL AS THOSE WHO ARE
11 STILL ON DUTY TODAY. IN SO DOING, I'M ALSO HERE TO SUPPORT THE
12 THOUSANDS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY
13 INVESTIGATORS THAT ARE SIMILARLY SITUATED; THAT IS, TODAY IS
14 FEBRUARY 1ST, IT IS THE FIRST DAY OF THE THIRD YEAR IN WHICH
15 DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS HAVE NOT
16 HAD A CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I ECHO
17 WHAT MR. GILOTTI SAID A FEW MINUTES AGO AND WOULD SAY THAT I,
18 TOO, BELIEVE THAT THE GOAL IS IN SIGHT, THAT THERE'S LIGHT AT
19 THE END OF THE TUNNEL, WE'RE VERY CLOSE. TOMORROW, WE RETURN
20 TO THE TABLE WITH HIGH HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS THAT WE, TOO,
21 WILL BE ABLE TO CONCLUDE THE CONTRACT FOR THE MEMBERS THAT WE
22 REPRESENT. AND I, TOO, ECHO WHAT PRESIDENT GILOTTI SAID TO YOU
23 A FEW MINUTES AGO AND THAT'S, WHEN YOU GO INTO YOUR CLOSED
24 SESSION TODAY AND MEET WITH YOUR NEGOTIATORS, PLEASE
25 UNDERSTAND THAT WE ALL WANT THIS TO BE OVER. I KNOW YOU DO,



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1 I'VE SPOKEN WITH YOU, I KNOW THIS IS SOMETHING THAT EVERYBODY
2 WANTS TO BE OVER. WE'RE CLOSE. PLEASE GIVE YOUR NEGOTIATORS
3 THE AUTHORITY TO DO WHAT IS NECESSARY. AND, WITH THAT, I SAY
4 THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. REESE. NEXT, STEVE REMIGE.
7 [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AGAIN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE UNDERSTAND
10 YOUR ENTHUSIASM BUT PLEASE.

11

12 **STEVE REMIGE:** MADAM CHAIRWOMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME
13 IS STEVE REMIGE AND I AM VICE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR
14 LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFFS ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS OVER
15 7,000 DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS HERE
16 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I'M HERE ALSO TO SHOW MY SUPPORT
17 AND SOLIDARITY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE FIRE
18 DEPARTMENT WHO, LIKE US, HAVE BEEN AT THE CONTRACT TABLE NOW
19 FOR WAY TOO LONG. YOUR BOARD HAS THE ABILITY TO END THIS, TO
20 BRING THIS TO CLOSURE. WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR, WE ARE VERY
21 CLOSE, VERY CLOSE, BOTH OF US, BOTH SIDES HERE ARE VERY CLOSE.
22 WE'RE IN THE SAME POSITION AS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE THE
23 AUTHORITY ON OUR SIDE OF THE TABLE TO CONCLUDE A CONTRACT
24 TOMORROW. WE ARE ASKING THAT YOUR BOARD GIVE THE AUTHORITY TO
25 YOUR NEGOTIATORS TO COME IN AND CONCLUDE THE CONTRACT WITH THE



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1 FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
2 INVESTIGATORS. WE CAN DO THIS. WE ARE CLOSE. LIKE JOHN STATED
3 HERE, YOU KNOW, IT'S BEEN-- YESTERDAY WAS THE ANNIVERSARY OF
4 TWO YEARS SINCE THE CONCLUSION OF OUR LAST M.O.U., WE'RE GOING
5 INTO THE THIRD YEAR NOW. WE'VE BEEN 19 MONTHS NOW FOR DEPUTY
6 SHERIFFS WITHOUT A PAY INCREASE. WE ARE JUST ASKING THAT YOUR
7 BOARD MAKE THE RECOMMENDATIONS NECESSARY TO KEEP THE LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE DISTRICT
9 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE COMPETITIVE WITH THE HUNDREDS OF OTHER LAW
10 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ACROSS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I WANT TO
11 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE TIME AND I WANT TO THANK ALL THE
12 FIREFIGHTERS OUT THERE FOR THIS GREAT SHOW. IT JUST-- I DON'T
13 KNOW WHAT TO SAY. JUST TO SEE YOU OUT THERE... [ENTHUSIASTIC
14 CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ONE LAST TIME. [ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERS AND
17 APPLAUSE CONTINUES]

18

19 **STEVE REMIGE:** THANK YOU, MADAM MAYOR AND THANK YOU, HONORABLE
20 BOARD AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO FINISH BY SAYING...

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, GENTLEMEN. PLEASE UNDERSTAND
23 THAT WE'RE ALSO CONCERNED AND HOPEFULLY WE ARE AS CLOSE AS YOU
24 SAY WE ARE. [INTERJECTIONS]

25



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1 **STEVE REMIGE:** A LOT OF FRUSTRATION HERE, MA'AM.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, GENTLEMEN. ALL
4 RIGHT. NEXT WE HAVE MICHAEL CHECKON, FOLLOWED BY SPENCER HART.
5 IF THEY WOULD JOIN US. [WHISTLES]

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS MR. HART HERE? OH. PLEASE COME JOIN US.
8 RIGHT THROUGH THAT-- THE OTHER LITTLE DOOR HERE. MR. CHECKON,
9 PLEASE PROCEED.

10

11 **MICHAEL CHECKON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. SORRY THAT MR.
12 KNABE WAS NOT HERE. I'M FROM HIS DISTRICT AND I'VE BEEN HAVING
13 SOME PROBLEMS DOWN THERE IN WHITTIER. THE REPORT IS SELF-
14 EXPLANATORY. I'VE BEEN GOING TO THE CITY COUNCIL THERE TO SEE
15 IF I COULD GET ASSISTANCE IN RESOLVING THE PROBLEM. I WAS
16 ASSAULT BY TWO POLICE OFFICERS WITHOUT LAWFUL CAUSE. I KNOW
17 THAT THEY WILL FEEL DIFFERENTLY ABOUT IT AND THEY CAN RESPOND
18 TO IT AS THEY FEEL NECESSARY. EVERYTHING THAT YOU NEED TO KNOW
19 IS IN THAT REPORT AND I HAVE A LIMITED TIME TO FILE THIS WITH
20 THE COUNTY, SO I'M HOPING THAT SOMEBODY CAN MAKE A
21 RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHAT I CAN DO BECAUSE I'VE HAD SOME
22 DIFFICULTIES WITH THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE DOWN THERE IN BEING
23 ABLE TO GET THE INFORMATION THAT I NEED. I BROUGHT YOU
24 SOMETHING THAT YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF. IT'S SOMETHING THAT WAS
25 PRETTY HORRIFYING TO ME AND IF YOU'LL ALL BE VERY QUIET, THIS



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1 IS HOW I'VE BEEN TREATED IN THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE WHEN I WAS
2 ATTEMPTING TO GET INFORMATION THAT WAS CRITICAL TO MY DEFENSE.
3 I'M TRYING TO DO IT MYSELF AS A PRO PER AND THEY'VE
4 DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ME NUMEROUS TIMES, TREATING ME LIKE SOME
5 KIND OF A LEGAL LACKEY BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE AN ATTORNEY AND
6 THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS VERY FRUSTRATING TO ME. SO HOPEFULLY
7 THIS WILL PLAY AND YOU'LL GET A SENSE OF WHAT I'M TALKING
8 ABOUT.

9

10 [TAPE PLAYS] MICHAEL CHECKON: YOU CANNOT TELL ME WHO THE,
11 WHO THE PERSON IS THAT WOULD HAVE SIGNED THIS AND THEY HAD
12 APPROVED IT FOR PROSECUTION?

13

14 [WOMAN'S VOICE]: NO. I DON'T HAVE THE FILE HERE.

15

16 MICHAEL CHECKON: OKAY. HOW MANY-- HOW MANY OFFICERS DO YOU
17 HAVE-- WELL, LET ME ASK YOU THIS, THEN, HOW MANY...

18

19 [WOMAN'S VOICE]: I DON'T HAVE TO GIVE YOU THAT INFORMATION
20 ABOUT THE COURT CASE.

21

22 MICHAEL CHECKON WELL, I'M GOING TO ASK-- I WOULD LIKE TO ASK
23 YOU A QUESTION...

24



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1 >>[**WOMAN'S VOICE**]: I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH. I
2 DON'T EVEN HAVE TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH. I DON'T EVEN HAVE TO
3 TELL YOU THE TRUTH. I DON'T EVEN HAVE TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH. [
4 TAPE TURNED OFF]

5

6 **MICHAEL CHECKON:** THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE, THE WOMAN THAT I'M
7 SPEAKING TO, IF YOU COULDN'T HEAR IT, SHE SAID, "I DON'T EVEN
8 HAVE TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH." ALL I WANTED WAS INFORMATION WAS
9 TO WHO SIGNED THE AUTHORIZATION TO PROSECUTE THE CASE BASED ON
10 A POLICE REPORT THAT YOU HAVE. YOU HAVE MY REPORT, YOU HAVE
11 THE OFFICER'S REPORT, YOU HAVE PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE AND THREE
12 WITNESS STATEMENTS THAT WILL PROVE BEYOND A SHADOW OF A DOUBT
13 THAT THERE WAS FALSE INFORMATION ENTERED INTO THAT POLICE
14 REPORT. WHAT ENDED UP HAPPENING-- I'M KIND OF A POLITICAL
15 ACTIVIST AND I TOOK A POSITION WITH THE COURT THAT THERE WERE
16 CERTAIN CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS THAT THE COURT MUST OBSERVE
17 WHILE I WAS ATTEMPTING TO PRESENT MY DEFENSE AND THEY
18 DISAGREED WITH ME AND I WAS REARRESTED AND I SPENT 21 DAYS IN
19 JAIL FOR AN OFFENSE THAT I DID NOT COMMIT. AND WHAT I DID, AS
20 AN ACT OF SELF-DEFENSE, I PLED NO CONTEST TO GET OUT OF JAIL.
21 IF I HAD FOUGHT THIS CASE, I WOULD HAVE BEEN IN JAIL FOR
22 ANYWHERE FROM 30 TO 90 DAYS MINIMUM AND, UNDER PENAL CODE 692
23 AND 693, I BELIEVE, I HAVE AUTHORIZATION TO USE THE LAWS OF
24 SELF-DEFENSE. I DID NOT PLEAD NO CONTEST BECAUSE I WAS
25 ADMITTING GUILT BUT BECAUSE I FELT THAT MY SAFETY IN THE



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1 COUNTY JAIL WAS FAR MORE THREATENED THAN IT WAS ON THE STREET.
2 I NEED AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE UP HERE
3 BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT BEING COOPERATIVE AT ALL IN WHITTIER. IS
4 THERE ANYTHING THAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP ME TODAY? BECAUSE
5 THERE'S-- I BELIEVE THERE'S A STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS ON THIS
6 AND IT RUNS OUT ON THE 5TH.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE CAN DIRECT SUPERVISOR KNABE'S DEPUTY.
9 SHE'S RIGHT OVER HERE. IF SHE'D BE WILLING TO HELP YOU WITH
10 THAT.

11

12 **STEVE CHECKON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MR. HART.

15

16 **SPENCER HART:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. IT'S AN HONOR TO BE
17 HERE, MADAM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M HERE ON
18 BEHALF OF A SMALL NONPROFIT MEDICAL CLINIC IN SANTA MONICA
19 CALLED THE WEST SIDE PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER. WE OFFER
20 ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN AND FAMILIES INVOLVED IN UNPLANNED
21 PREGNANCIES AND A VARIETY OF OTHER SERVICES. THIS SPECIFIC
22 ISSUE THAT I'M HERE TO ADDRESS IS THAT RECENTLY A LETTER WAS
23 WRITTEN TO A MEMBER OF THE BOARD FROM N.A.R.A.L., ESSENTIALLY
24 REQUESTING THAT THE FUNDING THAT THE WEST SIDE CENTER RECEIVED
25 FROM FIRST FIVE L.A. BE WITHDRAWN. THAT MONEY HAS VIRTUALLY



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1 ALMOST BEEN COMPLETELY BEEN SPENT ALREADY AND I'M HERE, I
2 DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD IS SERIOUSLY
3 CONSIDERING DOING BUT WE DIDN'T WANT TO SIT IDLY BY IN CASE
4 THAT WAS THE CASE. AND I JUST SIMPLY WANTED TO EXPLAIN A BIT
5 ABOUT WHAT THE WEST SIDE PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER DOES, AND
6 SHOW HOW THAT COMPARES-- HOW THAT FOLLOWS THE VISION OF FIRST
7 FIVE L.A. BY THE WAY, I'M A VOLUNTEER THERE AND A NEW MEMBER
8 OF THE BOARD BUT MOST OF THE INFORMATION I HAVE IS AS A
9 VOLUNTEER. MY UNDERSTANDING IS FIRST FIVE L.A. HAS, AS ITS
10 VISION, IT STATES THAT-- TO SERVE THE FUTURE OF L.A.'S DIVERSE
11 COMMUNITIES SUCH THAT IT'S A PLACE WHERE ALL YOUNG CHILDREN
12 ARE BORN HEALTHY AND RAISED IN A LOVING AND NURTURING
13 ENVIRONMENT. ONE SPECIFIC PROGRAM THAT WE DO AT THE CENTER,
14 IT'S CALLED EARN WHILE YOU LEARN, AND BASICALLY IT'S A PROGRAM
15 WHERE MOSTLY WOMEN COME INTO THE CENTER, THEY RECEIVE ONE-ON-
16 ONE SUPPORT AND COUNSELING. THESE ARE WOMEN WHO HAVE NEWBORNS
17 UP TO AGE 2. THEY ALSO RECEIVE VARIOUS BABY SUPPLIES SUCH AS
18 FORMULA, DIAPERS, WIPES, ET CETERA, AND BY PARTICIPATING IN
19 THIS PROGRAM, THEY EARN WHAT'S CALLED MOMMY DOLLARS WHICH ARE
20 REDEEMABLE AT AN ADJACENT RESALE SHOP. IN ANY EVENT, THAT'S
21 WHERE THE MONEY HAS GONE. THAT SPECIFIC PROGRAM IS WHAT HAS
22 BEEN FUNDED BY THE FIRST FIVE L.A. MONEY. IF THE FIRST FIVE
23 L.A. MONEY IS WITHDRAWN, THAT WILL DIRECTLY TRANSLATE INTO THE
24 UNAVAILABILITY OF DIAPERS, OF WIPES, OF THINGS OF THAT SORT. I
25 WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE BOARD UNDERSTOOD THAT. I KNOW



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1 THERE ARE MUCH BIGGER FISH TO FRY, THAT THERE ARE MANY MORE
2 HIGHER PRIORITIES ON THE BOARD'S AGENDA BUT IF THE BOARD IS
3 SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING WITHDRAWING THE FUNDS, WE WOULD ASK THAT
4 THE BOARD FIRST LOOK AT OUR WEBSITE, WHICH IS WWW.WRPC.ORG,
5 THAT THE BOARD FIRST VISIT THE CLINIC IN SANTA MONICA AND SEE
6 WHAT WE REALLY ACTUALLY DO. N.A.R.A.L. HAS ATTEMPTED TO LABEL
7 US AS ANTI-CHOICE AND THIS IS AN APPARENT POLITICAL ATTACK, AS
8 FAR AS WE CAN TELL, AND WE URGE YOU NOT TO DO ANYTHING TO
9 DISGORGE US OF MONEY THAT'S ALREADY BEEN PROVIDED AND SPENT.
10 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. HART.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR? FIRST OF ALL, THIS IS NOT THE
15 APPROPRIATE PLACE, ALTHOUGH YOU'RE WELCOME TO COME HERE AND
16 TESTIFY IN THE PUBLIC COMMENT, THIS IS NOT THE FIRST FIVE
17 BOARD, AND IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE YOUR APPEAL TO THE FIRST FIVE
18 BOARD, YOU OUGHT TO GO TO THE FIRST 5 BOARD. THEY ALSO HAVE
19 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU OUGHT TO MAKE YOURSELF AVAILABLE TO THEM.
20 I HAVE RECEIVED THE LETTER FROM YOUR AGENCY AND I WOULDN'T
21 HAVE BROUGHT IT UP BUT YOU DID, SO I JUST WANT TO BE CLEAR,
22 THE LETTER FROM-- I BELIEVE IT WAS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
23 YOUR AGENCY SAID THAT ALL OPTIONS ARE MADE KNOWN AND THAT
24 WOMEN WITH UNWANTED PREGNANCIES ARE INFORMED OF ALL CHOICES BY
25 YOUR AGENCY. IS THAT CORRECT?



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2 **SPENCER HART:** YES. WHAT WE DON'T DO IS REFER FOR ABORTION BUT
3 WE DO DESCRIBE THE THREE OPTIONS, WHICH ARE ABORTION, ADOPTION
4 OR DELIVERY.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT IF A WOMAN SAYS, "I DON'T LIKE THE
7 OTHER TWO, I WANT TO GET AN ABORTION," THEN WHAT DO YOU DO?

8

9 **SPENCER HART:** THEN WE DON'T PERFORM IT OR REFER IT. SHE IS
10 PERMITTED...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND. SO WHAT DO YOU TELL A WOMAN
13 WHO SAYS THAT, "WE DON'T PERFORM IT, WE DON'T REFER YOU,
14 YOU'LL HAVE TO GO TO THE YELLOW PAGES?" WHAT DO YOU DO?

15

16 **SPENCER HART:** SHE IS FREE TO DO GO TO SUCH A PLACE. IN FACT,
17 ONE PROGRAM WE DO IS A POST-ABORTION SUPPORT AND RECOVERY
18 TYPE...

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'VE READ YOUR WEBSITE. I THINK WEBSITE IS
21 FINE. I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS THAT, WHEN A
22 WOMAN COMES TO YOUR CENTER AND ZEROS IN ON THAT ONE OPTION AND
23 SHE GETS NO RESPONSE, NOBODY'S EXPECTING YOU TO PERFORM IT,
24 AND I SUPPOSE MAYBE EVEN NOT REFER HER TO A SPECIFIC CLINIC,
25 BUT IF SOMEBODY IS INTERESTED IN THAT CHOICE, IN MAKING THAT



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1 CHOICE, DO YOU NOT SAY, "THE WAY YOU CAN FIND OUT ABOUT THAT
2 IS BY GOING TO THIS DIRECTORY OR YOUR DOCTOR" OR DO YOU JUST
3 SAY, YOU KNOW, WHEN THE WORD "ABORTION" COMES OUT OF HER
4 MOUTH, YOU KNOW, THAT'S THE END OF THE CONVERSATION, OUT THE
5 DOOR?

6

7 **SPENCER HART:** WE CARE FOR THESE WOMEN...

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WANT YOU TO JUST-- I'M NOT PROSECUTING YOU
10 BUT I GOT A LETTER FROM YOUR AGENCY. I'M NOT ON THE FIRST FIVE
11 BOARD. FOUR OF US DO NOT SERVE ON IT. MS. MOLINA IS THE CHAIR
12 OF IT, AND WE ALL ROTATE. SO I'M FREER PERHAPS THAN SHE IS TO
13 SPEAK TO THIS BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANY ROLE IN THIS IN TERMS
14 OF THE FUNDING. BUT WHEN I GET A LETTER FROM YOUR AGENCY WHICH
15 RESPONDS TO THE N.A.R.A.L. LETTER, WHICH LEADS ME TO BELIEVE,
16 FROM READING THAT LETTER, THAT, IF A WOMAN COMES INTO YOUR
17 AGENCY AND, AT THE END OF THE DAY, AFTER BEING INFORMED OF ALL
18 THE CHOICES-- YOU SAY YOU INFORM HER OF ALL THE CHOICES BUT
19 THEN YOU-- YOU KNOW, IF THE CHOICE IS ONE WITH WHICH YOU DON'T
20 AGREE, YOU JUST CUT HER OFF. THAT'S NOT THE IMPRESSION I GOT
21 FROM THE LETTER. THE IMPRESSION I GOT-- AGAIN, I SAY I DON'T
22 EXPECT THAT YOU WILL-- THERE ARE A LOT OF AGENCIES THAT
23 COUNSEL WOMEN IN THIS COUNTY THAT DON'T PERFORM ABORTIONS.
24 MANY OF THEM. MAYBE EVEN A MAJORITY. I'M SURE IT'S A MAJORITY
25 OF THEM. THERE ARE ONLY A SMALL NUMBER WHO ARE QUALIFIED AND



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1 DO THAT SORT OF THING BUT MOST AGENCIES THAT COUNSEL WOMEN, IF
2 THAT'S THE CHOICE THAT THE WOMAN MAKES, THE LEAST YOU CAN DO
3 FOR THEM, SINCE THEY'VE TAKEN THE TIME TO COME ALL THE WAY TO
4 SANTA MONICA TO YOUR CENTER, IS TO SAY, WE DON'T DO IT, YOU
5 CAN EVEN SAY "WE DON'T BELIEVE IN IT BUT IF THAT'S SOMETHING
6 YOU'RE INTERESTED IN, HERE'S HOW YOU CAN GO ABOUT IT." YOU
7 DON'T WANT HER GOING OUT WITHOUT ANY COMPETENT INFORMATION, DO
8 YOU? I MEAN, IF THAT'S THE CHOICE SHE'S GOING TO MAKE...

9

10 **SPENCER HART:** OF COURSE NOT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...YOU DON'T WANT HER TO GO TO SOME FLY BY
13 NIGHT OPERATION. AT LEAST SEND HER TO AN AGENCY WHERE SHE CAN
14 MAKE AN INFORMED CHOICE. AND YOU DON'T EVEN DO THAT?

15

16 **SPENCER HART:** WE DO NOT REFER TO A SPECIFIC AGENCY OR PROVIDE
17 A LIST...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SO WHAT DO YOU DO? SO, IF I'M A WOMAN,
20 I WALK IN, I SAY I'M PREGNANT, WHAT DO I DO? YOU SAY YOU CAN
21 DO THIS, THIS OR ABORTION. AND I SAY, "I DON'T WANT TO DO THIS
22 OR THIS. I WANT ON ABORTION." OKAY? NOW WHAT DO YOU TELL ME?

23

24 **SPENCER HART:** WE TELL YOU WHAT WE BELIEVE AND WHAT SCIENCE
25 SHOWS ARE THE PROS AND CONS OF THAT PARTICULAR OPTION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. NOW, YOU'VE TOLD ME THE PROS AND
3 CONS. I WANT AN ABORTION. I UNDERSTAND THE PROS AND CONS. I'M
4 WILLING TO PAY THE CONSEQUENCES, WHATEVER THEY MAY BE. THAT'S
5 MY CHOICE. NOW WHAT DO YOU TELL ME?

6

7 **SPENCER HART:** TO BE DIRECTLY FRANK?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

10

11 **SPENCER HART:** I'M NOT SURE WHAT THE SPECIFIC WORDS ARE THAT
12 ARE TOLD. I'M A VOLUNTEER, PRIMARILY IN ONE PART AND A NEW
13 BOARD MEMBER. I'VE NEVER PARTICIPATED IN THE ONE-ON-ONE
14 COUNSELING BUT IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING...

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FAIR ENOUGH.

17

18 **SPENCER HART:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT WHAT IS TOLD IS THAT,
19 IF THAT IS YOUR CHOICE, THAT IS YOUR CHOICE, YOU CAN MAKE THAT
20 CHOICE. IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND, COME BACK. IF, AFTER YOU'VE
21 MADE THAT CHOICE AND FOLLOWED THROUGH WITH IT, IF YOU DESIRE
22 OUR SERVICES, COME BACK. WE'VE HAD WOMEN WHO HAVE DONE JUST
23 THAT. AND WHAT YOU'RE DESCRIBING IS NOT AN UNCOMMON SCENARIO,
24 THIS DOES HAPPEN BUT WE DON'T LEAVE THEM HIGH AND DRY. WE
25 DON'T HAVE NEGATIVE ANIMUS TOWARDS SUCH WOMEN. WE'RE THERE TO



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1 SUPPORT THEM AND THEIR CHOICES. WE JUST WANT THEM TO BE
2 INFORMED.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO DO ME A FAVOR AND I
5 THINK, IN THE PROCESS, YOU MAY BE DOING THE AGENCY A FAVOR,
6 TOO, NOT THAT YOUR FUNDING IS THREATENED, NOBODY IS GOING TO
7 DISGORGE YOU OF THE FUNDS THAT YOU'VE ALREADY SPENT, ASSUMING
8 YOU'VE SPENT THEM APPROPRIATELY AND I'M SURE YOU HAVE, I HAVE
9 NO REASON TO BELIEVE OTHERWISE. HOWEVER, THIS IS GOING TO KEEP
10 DOGGING YOU AND THE REST OF US IF THERE IS-- AND I RESPECT THE
11 FACT THAT YOU'RE NOT A COUNSELOR, YOU'RE NOT SITTING IN THE
12 ROOM. I'D LIKE TO UNDERSTAND, AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF SANTA
13 MONICA, AND YOU'RE AN AGENCY IN MY DISTRICT, ABOUT WHICH I'M
14 GETTING SOME MAIL AND I'VE NOT TAKEN A STAND IN THIS. I'VE
15 BEEN VERY JUDICIOUS BECAUSE NOT ALL THE FACTS ARE NECESSARILY
16 AVAILABLE EITHER FROM N.A.R.A.L. OR FROM YOU. BUT I WOULD LIKE
17 TO KNOW WHAT THE PRACTICE, BECAUSE YOU RAISED IT, I WOULDN'T
18 HAVE RAISED IT, YOU RAISED THE ABORTION ISSUE AND, IN PROBING
19 YOU, I'D LIKE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS THAT HAPPENS AND MAYBE
20 IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE AGENCY FOCUS ON, IF AND WHEN THAT
21 PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCE THAT I'VE DESCRIBED HAPPENS, HOW YOU
22 HANDLE IT. BECAUSE THE IMPRESSION AND I'M SURE YOU DIDN'T
23 INTEND TO LEAVE IT AND I-- I WOULD EVEN GIVE THE BENEFIT OF
24 THE DOUBT TO ANY AGENCY THAT DEALS WITH WOMEN FOR THE SAKE
25 JUST TO STIPULATE IT THAT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO KICK THEM OUT



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1 THE DOOR THE MINUTE THEY UTTER THE "A" WORD, THAT I'D LIKE TO
2 KNOW HOW YOU HANDLE SOMEBODY WHO HAS MADE THE DECISION, AFTER
3 YOU'VE COUNSELED THEM AND THEY SAY, "I STILL WANT TO GO THAT
4 ROUTE," HOW YOU GET THEM FROM "A" TO "C" OR "A" TO "B," AND
5 EVEN IF YOU DON'T WANT TO REFER THEM TO A PARTICULAR CLINIC OR
6 YOU DON'T OBVIOUSLY PERFORM IT, HOW DO YOU COUNSEL THAT WOMAN
7 TO MAKE-- NOW THAT SHE'S MADE THAT DECISION, TO MAKE IT IN HER
8 BEST INTERESTS SO THAT SHE DOESN'T GET HURT AND THAT THE BABY
9 DOESN'T-- I MEAN, NOT THE BABY, THAT THE FAMILY DOESN'T GET
10 HURT? SO I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TAKE THIS BACK TO YOUR BOARD OR
11 YOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND ASK THEM TO ADDRESS THAT. YOU CAN
12 WRITE ME A LETTER, E-MAIL ME, WHATEVER. I THINK IT WOULD GIVE
13 ME A COMFORT LEVEL TO KNOW THAT THAT'S BEEN GIVEN SOME
14 THOUGHT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR LETTING ME ASK A FEW
15 QUESTIONS.

16

17 **SPENCER HART:** I'D BE HAPPY TO DO THAT. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. AND, ALSO, I THINK IT IS
20 WORTHWHILE THAT YOU DO LOOK AT YOUR WEBSITE. IT SEEMS TO BE
21 VERY POLITICALLY SLANTED FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THE FETAL
22 EDUCATION COMPONENT OF THE WEBSITE.

23

24 **SPENCER HART:** IS THERE ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR THAT
25 CONCERNED...



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SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: YES. THAT THE OPTIONS ARE NOT PROVIDED AND
THE REFERRALS ARE NOT MADE AND THAT IS CLEARLY-- IT'S
UNFORTUNATE. I THINK THAT THE ISSUE IS THAT CHOICE IS THE LAW
OF THE LAND AND THOSE OPTIONS SHOULD BE PROVIDED. I WOULD ALSO
BE EQUALLY AS CONCERNED IF FIRST FIVE WAS FUNDING AN ABORTION
CLINIC, I WOULD HAVE THE SAME CONCERN. BUT PRENATAL, AND I
RESPECT AND UNDERSTAND THAT, THAT SHOULD BE THE FUNDING WE
SHOULD BE PROVIDING BUT IT HAS TO BE ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE
CLEARLY PROVIDING ALL OF THE CHOICES TO WOMEN.

11

SPENCER HART: WE WILL-- I WILL RELAY THAT TO OUR EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR AND TO THE BOARD. THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND IF I MIGHT,
WE ARE NOT A POLITICAL ORGANIZATION AND IT IS NOT OUR
INTENTION TO PRESENT ANY INFORMATION IN A POLITICAL WAY. WE
ARE NONPOLITICAL AND NONSECTARIAN. I SEE THE SUPERVISOR
SMILING AT ME BUT THAT...

18

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: WELL, ONLY BECAUSE, AGAIN, WHEN YOU DO THE
FETAL EDUCATION ASPECT OF IT, EVERYONE KNOWS WHAT THAT
REPRESENTS AND WHAT THAT UNDERSTANDS. YOU CAN DISGUISE IT ANY
WHICH WAY YOU WANT BUT MANY OF US WHO SUPPORT CHOICE
UNDERSTAND THE INTENT THERE. AND I JUST THINK IF, IN FACT, YOU
REALLY WANT TO PROVIDE THE OPTIONS, WHICH I THINK IS
COMMENDABLE, WE NEED MORE ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE WILLING TO DO



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1 SO, IT SHOULD BE INCLUSIVE THAT THOSE OPTIONS THAT ARE LEGAL
2 IN THIS COUNTRY. MORAL PROBLEMS, POLITICAL ISSUES ARE
3 DIFFERENT BUT, AGAIN, UNDER THE LEGAL OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO
4 WOMEN.

5

6 **SPENCER HART:** UNDERSTOOD. IN OUR VIEW, THE FETAL DEVELOPMENT
7 INFORMATION IS MERELY SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION THAT SHOWS WHAT'S
8 HAPPENING.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND.

11

12 **SPENCER HART:** IN THE WOMB. I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT CAN BE
13 SLANTED.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THOSE OPTIONS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE BUT IT
16 IS SLANTED ONLY TO THAT ASPECT OF IT UNDER YOUR WEBSITE.

17

18 **SPENCER HART:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. HART.

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22 **SPENCER HART:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. I THINK THAT
25 CONCLUDES ALL OF PUBLIC COMMENT.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** THERE WAS NEVER ANY INTENTION OF TAKING THE MONEY
3 BACK, WAS THERE?

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, NOT AT ALL. I THINK WE WERE
6 QUESTIONING...

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** I DON'T THINK THAT...

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND WE DON'T HAVE ANY AUTHORITY, AS MR.
11 YAROSLAVSKY MENTIONED.

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** NO ONE WAS EVER DISCUSSING TAKING THE MONEY BACK.
14 I DON'T THINK THERE WAS...

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT WAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION AND SO I
19 HAVE ASKED AND I HAVE NOT RECEIVED YET A RESPONSE FROM FIRST
20 FIVE. I WILL ACCEPT THAT IT HAS GONE INTO PRENATAL BUT I'D
21 LIKE TO HAVE THOSE ASSURANCES BUT I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE
22 ORGANIZATION AND ITS WEBSITE.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE WEBSITE, I AGREE WITH YOU, MADAM CHAIR,
25 IS-- IS A POINT OF VIEW. BUT, LEAVING THAT ASIDE, I'M VERY



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1 FOCUSED ON WHAT HAPPENS AT THAT MOMENT WHEN, DESPITE YOUR BEST
2 EFFORTS, A WOMAN IN YOUR PLACE, IN YOUR AGENCY DECIDES SHE
3 WANTS TO EXERCISE THE OPTION OF AN ABORTION. AND THAT I THINK,
4 AT THAT POINT, IT'S FAIR GAME FOR PEOPLE, FOR CITIZENS WHO
5 SAY, "MY TAXPAYERS, MY TAX MONEY IS GOING TO AN AGENCY OR TO
6 AGENCIES WHO PROFESS TO WANT TO GIVE THE WOMEN ALL THE CHOICES
7 AND THEN JUST DON'T DROP THEM AS SOON AS THEY UTTER THE CHOICE
8 THAT DOESN'T NECESSARILY AGREE WITH THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE
9 ORGANIZATION." AND I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE PHILOSOPHY
10 OF YOUR ORGANIZATION, THAT'S YOUR PREROGATIVE, BUT I THINK IF
11 YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE-- I'M REPEATING, BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO
12 MAKE THE-- IF YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE THE REPRESENTATION THAT YOU
13 OFFER ALL CHOICES, THAT'S GOT TO BE-- IT'S GOT TO BE TRUTHFUL
14 AND COMPLETE, IT CAN'T BE IN NAME ONLY. SO, ANYWAY, I'M HAPPY
15 TO DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MY STAFF IS, IF
16 YOU CHOOSE TO DO THAT. I DON'T WANT TO GET CAUGHT UP IN A
17 POLITICAL SPAT AND...

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19 **SPENCER HART:** NOR DO WE.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT I THINK THERE'S A WAY YOU GUYS CAN
22 HANDLE IT THAT WOULD SAVE US A LOT OF TIME.

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24 **SPENCER HART:** AND I DIDN'T MEAN TO INTRODUCE ANY POLITICAL
25 SPAT INTO THE AGENDA TODAY AT ALL. I JUST DIDN'T WANT TO SIT



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1 IDLY BY IF THERE AS ANY REALISTIC THREAT THAT FUNDING FOR THAT
2 SPECIFIC PROGRAM THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ABORTION OF
3 THE BABY WAS...

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I KNOW BUT IT'S GOING TO COME UP AGAIN
6 BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO BE APPLYING FOR MORE FIRST FIVE MONEY,
7 MY BET IS AND, IF YOU DO A GOOD JOB, YOU SHOULD APPLY FOR IT.
8 SO I JUST-- I'VE SAID MORE THAN I SHOULD

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I WOULD AGREE. WORK WITH US, MR. HART.

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12 **SPENCER HART:** THAT'S WHY I'M HERE. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SIR. ALL RIGHT. I
15 CAN HAVE AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED
16 SESSION.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
19 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS
21 CS-1 AND CS-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
22 EXISTING LITIGATION, AND ITEM CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
23 NEGOTIATORS DAVID E. JANSSEN AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED
24 ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON FEBRUARY 1, 2005**

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4 The Board of Supervisors met today in Closed Session. The
5 following action is being reported:

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7 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

8 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Deborah
9 Miles, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., U.S. District
10 Court Case No. CV 02-03932 DT

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12 This is a class action lawsuit in which plaintiffs contend
13 that the County and the Superior Court have failed to provide
14 physical access to County courthouses for persons with
15 mobility and manual dexterity disabilities.]

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17 Action Taken:

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19 The Board authorized a partial settlement of the above
20 lawsuit. The substance of the settlement will be disclosed
21 upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes
22 final following approval by all parties and the court. The
23 vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with
24 Supervisors Burke and Yaroslavsky being absent.

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That the foregoing transcript of recorded proceedings was taken on Tuesday, February 1st, 2005, at the time and place therein set forth and recorded by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and supervision;

And I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of recorded proceedings is a full, true, and correct transcript of the recorded proceedings before the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

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